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Graves to be restored

MONTREAL —

Temporary markers have been installed on graves of Jewish Canadian servicemen which were desecrated recently in France, according to Daniel J. McDonald, Canadian minister of veterans affairs.

In a message to Alan Rose, excecutive vice-president of Canadian Jewish Congress, McDonald said new headstones have been ordered from Italy and will be implaced as soon as possible.

"I share your shock at the desecration of war graves headstones of Jewish Canadian servicemen buried at the Bretteville-Sur-Laize Canadian war cemetery in France April 5 and 6," said McDonald's telegram. "The Commonwealth War Graves Commission initiated the installation of temporary markers on April 7 and 8. Replacement headstones will be ordered from Italy and implaced as soon as possible. You will be informed."

McDonald said also that "the mayor of Cinthaux Commune, in which the cemetery lies, has apologized to the commission. This constitutes an apology to all Canadians as the commission is the sole representative of all Commonwealth countries and bears complete responsibility on their behalf for related matters."

Irwin Cotler, barely 40 years of age, become Congress' youngest president last Sunday. In his acceptance speech, he made a strong plea for unity in CJC approach and operation.

Irwin Cotler elected— youngest CJC president

TORONTO —

Four days prior to this 40th birthday, Montreal law professor Irwin Cotler became the youngest ever national president of Canadian Jewish Congress.

His election marked the culmination of the 19th plenary assembly of CJC, held at the Hilton Harbour Castle Hotel from May 1 to May 4 — a triennial event which attracted more than 1,000 delegates and observers (a 30% increase over the last plenary held in Montreal in 1977) from across Canada to discuss and propose resolutions on matters of concern to Canadian Jewry.

The election, which pitted Cotler against Toronto's David Satok, outgoing chairman of the national executive, was described as "the most exciting presidential campaign Congress has ever seen," by outgoing president Rabbi Gunther Plaut, and in the words of one delegate, "is the beginning of a brand new era for Canadian Jewish Congress."

"This new era, if the plenary is any indication, will be one focus on youth and the grassroots community. There were 200 young people at this convention (more than ever before), their participation possible because of funds made available by a leadership training grant. According to many, it was the activism of the young which pushed Cotler over the top.

Further, a resolution was passed, almost unanimously, pledging to the Atlantic region, specifically that grants be provided for a regional system to provide kosher meat; the commencement of Jewish school programs in isolated areas; a permanent outreach staff member; and the expansion of the national youth program into the region.

One resolution which was held over to be dealt with by the regional councils covered the reaffirmation of CJC support of the aims and objectives of Congress "to develop the highest standard of citizenship in the Jews of Canada by encouraging, carrying on and participating in activities of a national, patriotic, cultural and humanitarian nature," particularly within the context of the aim of national unity of Canada.

Although the presidential candidates originally were not allocated time to address the plenary, intense and vocal opposition to the rule forced officials to allow Cotler and Satok to address delegates for 15 minutes each following the keynote speech of Israel's ambassador to the United Nations Yehudah Blum. The speeches were greeted with much enthusiasm and applause despite the fact that particular seesion ended past midnight.

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The resolutions, there were a total of 57 dealing with such matters as Zionism, Nazi war criminals in Canada, the Falashas, Soviet prisoners of conscience), reflected the commitment of Canadian Jews to address themselves to the concerns and problems of small, often isolated Jewish communities throughout the country, as well as a reaffirmation towards young, future leadership.

Because of time limitations, many of the proposals could not be voted upon at the plenary and at the suggestion of resolutions chairman Donald Carr, delegates agreed to allow each regional council either to pass or strike remaining resolutions.

For the first time, mainly because of the participation of 35 Atlantic region delegates, a resolution was passed pledging Congress to provide staff to develop programs for small communities of Canada, "for their cultural, religious and educational requirements, directly on a national basis without regard to geographic location."

As well, because of the often prohibitive cost of attending plenaries, it was resolved that in the future, election of national officers will take place on one day in each specific region.

Anniversary marked at rally

TORONTO —

Europe's liberation from the darkness of Nazi Germany 35 years ago was marked at a rally under a brilliant sunny sky in the shadow of the Ontario legislature last Sunday afternoon.

Present were several hundred onlookers, including concentration camp survivors and their children, Jewish war veterans who bore Canadian and Israeli flags, Canadian Jewish Congress plenary assembly delegates, the federal solicitor general and the provincial attorney general.

Solicitor General Robert Kaplan said the issue of war criminals at large remains on the conscience of the world. And Attorney General Roy McMurtry voiced support of federal efforts to resolve the issue.

Rabbi Gunther Plaut, outgoing national president of the Canadian Jewish Congress, recalled the horror that defied imagination when he set foot in a death camp at the end of the war, and called on Canada to prosecute war criminals.

Fay Shulman, who fought as a partisan in Polish forests for three years, expressed thanks to Canada for having taken in survivors and let them build a new life here.

Rev. Stanford Lucyk, of Toronto's Timothy Eaton Memorial Church, noted how Canada's immigration policy had undergone a positive change in the wake of the war. Addressing survivors in the crowd, he said: "You've given this land the rich gift of people who do, and will shape, her destiny."

Jacob Egit, of the United Organizations for Histadrut, spoke in Yiddish. Like Plaut, he urged that war criminals in this country be tried for their crimes.

McMurtry said the Holocaust was not just a Jewish problem but rather a universal one.

Every effort, he said, must be made to try war criminals. And he added that he enthu-

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Associated begins building campaign

TORONTO —

Associated Hebrew Schools has launched a $7 million campaign for its Leslie St. education and recreation campus.

In announcing the campaign, John H. Daniels, chairman of the building committee, stressed that "Jewish education is the most important and greatest of all Jewish causes . . . it is the foundation upon which the whole structure of Jewish life is built. If it becomes weakened, that structure is undermined and gravely jeopardized."

Daniels said that in light of the importance of Jewish education, "I hope the community will respond favorably." He added that pledges are payable over five years.

Daniels reported that more than $2.5 million in pledges have been received to date. "We have a long way to go," he said, "but we are encouraged by this start and are confident there will be wide community response."

Associated Hebrew Schools is believed to be the largest Jewish day school in the world, with over 2,500 students. The new school, to accommodate 1,200 students, will be built on five acres at 6100 Leslie St. (south of Steeles), surrounded by 10 acres of greenbelt.

Chairman Daniels has a strong team of experienced campaigners that includes: associate chairman, Samuel Shainhouse; top gifts, Morris B. Kaufman and James F. Kay; organizations and public support, Henry Koschitzky and Louis Lockshin; parents-teachers, Morris Starkman, public relations, Bert Petlock; advertising, Morris Saffer; executive administrator, Arthur Tannenbaum, and campaign director, Monty Mazin.

Slate of officers

Following is the slate of national officers of Canadian Jewish Congress elected for a three-year term at the CJC plenary:

National president, Irwin Cotler; chairman, national executive, Sam Filer; associate chairman national executive, Milton Harris; secretary, Nachum Wilchesky; treasurer, Edward Wolkove; honorary counsel, Norman May; chairman of the board of governors, Sol Kanee; honorary president, Monroe Abbey.

Israeli diplomat is freed from Colombia embassy

TEL AVIV [JTA] —

Israel's ambassador to Colombia, Eliyahu Barak, returned home after a two-month ordeal in the Dominican embassy in Bogota where he and a score of other diplomats and foreign nationals were held hostage by leftist revolutionaries. The hostages were finally released last week.

Foreign Minister Yitzhak Shamir was at Ben Gurion airport to welcome the returning envoy who looked thin but appeared in good health and good spirits. "It's good to be home," he said. "We're glad to have him back," Shamir told reporters.

Asked if Barak would return to his post in Colombia, Shamir said that would depend on his discussions with the ambassador.

'The Fonz' will root for UJA walkers

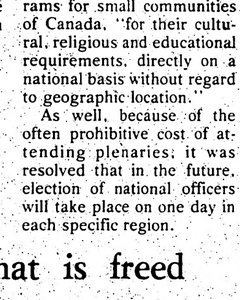
TORONTO —

Henry Winkler, better known as "The Fonz," will be rooting for participants in the 1980 United Jewish Appeal walkathon on Sunday, May 25.

Although he is unable to join the walkers in person, the star of the long-running TV series, **Happy Days,** has signified his full support in a letter approved and signed by him, which has been mailed to students in Toronto's Jewish school system.

In the letter, Winkler reminds youngsters of their good fortune as compared to that of deprived boys and girls in Israel, and urges them to line up as many sponsors as possible. All money raised in this year's event will help to finance the constrtuction of a sports complex and training centre for future athletes in Mazkeret Batya.

The walkathon committee, under the chairmanship of Verne Chelin and Jerry Panet, decided on a different ploy this year in the distribution of sponsor booklets. The booklets were mailed to students at their homes, along with the Winkler letter, in the hope that it will generate excitement from the age group that makes up the legion of ardent fans of the Fonz.



Henry "The Fonz" Winkler

In the past, youngsters picked up sponsor booklets at their schools, synagogues or community centres.

The route is the same as last year with one exception. The walk starts at Earl Bales Park instead of the Jewish Community Centre.

Memorial service held for PLO victim

Montreal student slain in vicious attack in Hebron

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

A memorial service was held here Monday night for Shamuel Mermelstein, 19, formerly of Montreal, one of the five Jewish students slain by PLO gunmen in Hebron as they walked from sabbath prayers from the Tomb of the Patriarchs. Seventeen were wounded, a few critically.

The Montreal service was held at the Rabbinical College of Canada [Lubavitcher yeshiva] where Mermelstein had been a student since kindergarten and graduated from the high school in 1977.

Last fall he went to Jerusalem to study at the Yavneh yeshiva. He had been visiting Hebron for the weekend when he was murdered, along with two American and two Israeli students.

Rabbi Hersh Feigelstock, principal of Hebrew studies at the Rabbinical College, recalls that Mermelstein was an exceptional student and well liked by all.

"He was a really outstanding but modest student, particularly in mathematics and physics. He would get marks in the high 90s or 100. All his marks were in the high 80s or above," said the rabbi.

Mermelstein had been active in many Lubavitch activities, including Chabad House and Camp Gan Israel, where he was a counsellor.

He was the son of Emil and Udell Mermelstein, of Mountain Sights Ave., and brother of Abraham, a medical student. The family went to Israel on Sunday for the funeral.

The Rabbinical College is planning a larger memorial service when the family returns to Montreal after the 30-day mourning period.

The attack at Hebron was the worst by Arabs on Israeli civilians in the occupied areas since the Six Day War. Israel imposed a strict curfew and deported the mayors of Hebron and neighboring Hahloul to Lebanon.

The PLO, which claimed responsibility for the ambush, said the expulsion of the mayors would be referred to the UN. PLO chairman Arafat declared: "We are a torrent of blood and we will not stop until we achieve total victory over the Zionist enemy."

Israel defence minister Ezer Weizman said: "We're in the midst of the battle on the future of the land of Israel."

The Referendum

Now both Oui and Non signs festoon D'Arcy McGee riding

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

The riding of D'Arcy McGee gave the fewest votes to the Parti Quebecois of any of the 110 ridings in Quebec in the 1976 provincial election.

PQ candidate David Levine was trounced by Liberal opponent Herbert Marx, who garnered close to 97% of the vote, in the by-election last November.

It is therefore somewhat surprising to see the windows of the office above the cigar store at Queen Mary Rd. and Decarie covered with Oui posters. This is the headquarters of the Yes committee for D'Arcy McGee and the Committee of Anglophones for Sovereignty-Association (CASA).

Both groups are headed by Jews. CASA president Henry Milner, the 33-year-old Vanier College political science teacher, is by now well known for his advocacy of Quebec independence. He was among the founders of the movement more than a year ago and his articles have frequently appeared in the English press.

Not such a familiar name is Claude Ananou, co-chairman with Alain Mongeau of the D'Arcy McGee Yes committee and president of the PQ in that riding.

Ananou, 29, is a Sephardic Jew, born in France of Algerian parents. He came to Montreal 12 years ago and is presently completing his law studies at the Universite de Montreal.

Ananou does not think his position on Quebec is so unusual or contradictory for a Jew. He believes "a good 25%" of Sephardic students and young workers will vote yes in the referendum, but the great majority of the Sephardic community as a whole will not.

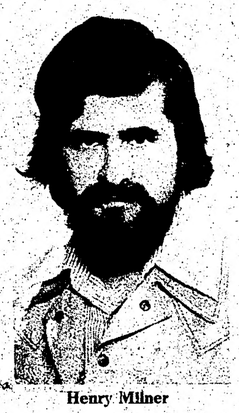
Ananou, who projects a trim, business-like image with his three-piece suits and coiffed hair, explained that his political orientation is just a "logical" choice for one who can look at the situation objectively.

Ananou has always lived in D'Arcy McGee, one of the few francophones who does. (There are about 4,000 francophones among D'Arcy McGee's approximately 43,000 eligible voters.) He started at the University of Montreal soon after his arrival and did not, as he says was the experience of many Sephardic immigrants, become absorbed into the anglophone Ashkenazic community and its way of thinking. Ananou to this day speaks very little English.

He became a PQ member in 1974, stunned by the provincial election the year before which saw only six PQ MNAs elected although the party received 30% of the popular vote, and he determined to right this imbalance.

The seeds of his support for the PQ platform had been sown earlier. "Coming from another country I could take a more objective view of the situation of Quebec in Canada . . . In 1972 I traveled across Canada, right to Vancouver, where I liyed for three months. I found the people there not only did not understand Quebec, they were actually hostile to it. I found myself saying I was not a Quebecer. I was from France," remembers Ananou.

Claude Ananou



Henry Milner

Ananou concluded that there was no common bond between Quebec and the rest of Canada. "In other countries there are regional differences but there is something that cements all the people together. In Canada there is no such affinity; Quebec is not just another province and sovereignty-association is a normal outgrowth of its difference."

Ananou was elected to the executive of the PQ in D'Arcy McGee in 1976. After returning from two years of university in Quebec City last year, he became an organizer for David Levine's campaign in the D'Arcy McGee by-election. He was then elected president of the riding's PQ.

The PQ has 120 members in D'Arcy McGee and raised $10,000 last year, says Ananou, one of the highest amounts in Quebec per capita.

"I would say between 10 and 15% of our members are Jewish; most of them anglophone . . . When people think of Jewish members of the PQ they think of a few well known individuals, but there are more lower-profile Jewish people working for us now. Most are students or young workers, are 'social-oriented' — don't say socialist — who are interested in politics."

He noted that in the St. Laurent riding, Emanuel Assouline, a Sephardic Jew, is vice-president of the Yes committee.

An agreement exists between the D'Arcy McGee Yes committee and CASA that the latter will be responsible for any work with anglophones. Although they share the same facilities, their programming is separate, said Milner. CASA's work is province-wide and not restricted to D'Arcy McGee.

David Levine, who is a member of the national Oui committee, acts as a liaison to CASA.

Milner named several young anglophone Jews who are volunteers for CASA during the referendum campaign. He said CASA's programming for the referendum includes distribution of pamphlets and posters in English, placement of advertising in the English media, answering telephone calls and organizing information meetings.

Paul Unterberg, the first and only other Jewish PQ candidafe besides Levine, is keeping a low profile during the referendum campaign but says he is speaking to some groups, but none of them predominantly Jewish.

Concluded Ananou: "I have never hid the fact that I was Jewish. I have been accepted like anyone else. The great majority of people who elected me president of D'Arcy McGee were French-Canadian. They did so neither despite nor because I was Jewish."

Scowen woos the undecided as referendum date nears

By REBECCA ROSENBERG

MONTREAL —

Just two days after Premier Rene Levesque spoke at the Saidye Bronfman Centre, Reed Scowen, Liberal member of the National Assembly for Notre Dame de Grace, addressed 150 people attending a breakfast meeting of the Beth Zion Congregation's Men's Club to present the No viewpoint on the upcoming referendum.

Recognizing that he was speaking to an audience already largely committed to a No vote, Scowen concentrated on urging people to take the time and effort to discuss with undecided voters the implications of a Yes vote.

In a low-key presentation Scowen denounced both what he called the "fundamental intolerance" of the PQ towards minority groups and the standard PQ characterization of dissenters as "having psychological hang-ups, being a traitor or acting as a tool of foreign capitalists."

Scowen claimed that this attitude of disregard and disrespect for the opinions of voters who disagree with party philosophy is a pressure tactic "unprecedented in Canadian political history."

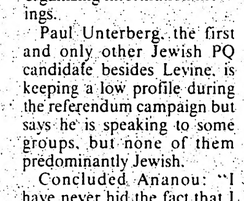
Scowen cited the elderly and women as particular victims of PQ intolerance. Any elderly person who does not agree with PQ aspirations is labeled "afraid," with the PQ refusing to acknowledge that the person has legitimate reasons to make a choice for Canada, Scowen said.

Similarly, pro-federalist women have been dismissed by the PQ as "not sufficiently emancipated" to understand the complexities of their program, he asserted.

"No other political party works that way. Political parties are supposed to respond to the people, not tell the people what the national mission is and that they must subscribe to it."

Scowen concurred with the view expressed by Liberal MNA Solange Chaput-Rolland that "this issue has been taken away from the politicians and the people have taken it over. They are thinking the thing through and they are going to make up their own minds. Our best response is to have some respect for them and try to answer their questions honestly."

In response to Levesque's recent comment that should the Yes lose by a small fraction, "it would require very steady nerves," Scowen told the CJN: "Premier Levesque is very inconsistent. On the one hand, he says that in the case of a victory for the Yes forces, he is sure the No camp will respect the democratic decision of the population. Then he says in the case of a No victory, we had better be prepared for violence by certain elements of the French community. Coming from the Prime Minister of Quebec, it acts as encouragement for violence to happen.



The PLO wants recognition. Here are some of the ways you can recognize members of this terrorist organization.

Their victims are unarmed civilians, especially children; they hijack and blow up jetliners; they murder diplomats; they try to sabotage Mideast peace efforts by promising to "cut off the hands" of Carter, Sadat and Begin; they will kill and maim Olympic athletes and Christian pilgrims.

Donald Carr, right, chairman of plenary resolutions committee, and fellow workers prepare incoming resolutions for presentation to plenary delegates.

CJC Plenary

Yehuda Blum blasts myths nations have about oil crisis

TORONTO —

In his keynote address to the Canadian Jewish Congress plenary last weekend, Israel's ambassabor to the United Nations, Yehuda Blum, blasted "nations big and small for supplicating the Arab oil gods at the expense of Israel."

Speaking specifically about western countries such as France and West Germany, Blum reiterated Israel's frustration with nations which believe that the oil crisis and the Arab-Israel conflict are interrelated and that "by creating a second Palstinian state on the West Bank, the energy crisis will be resolved."

"The problems are being confused," Blum stressed "A series of myths is being propagated, but reality is very different than myth."

In a straightforward speech to approximately 1,000 delegates, observers and guests, Blum meticulously traced Israel's modern history, explained to an already knowing audience what the Palestine Liberation Organization is all about, and came down hard on the UN for allowing itself to be used as an "instrument of an orchestrated political campaign against Israel."

As well, Blum emphasized that, in the Camp David accords Israel made "significant concessions for the sake of peace."

"We are returning all the Sinai," the ambassador noted. "We have dismantled Jewish villages there, relocated air bases to the Negev, and have given up the oil fields."

A large concession, Blum claimed, is in the five year autonomy plan for Palestinian Arabs living in Judea, Samaria, and Gaza.

"Judea, Samaria and Gaza are an integral part of the land of Israel," Blum asserted. "The Jews are not and never will be foreigners there.

"We are there by right, not by sufferance."

The case being made for a "second" Palestinian state on the West Bank was described by Blum as "subterfuge," designed to undermine the peace process.

"Jordan is already a Palestinian state. The entire world must be made aware of the fact that the vast majority of Palestinian Arabs are Jordanians and vice-versa," he said.

Jews uphold human rights

TORONTO —

The problem of Soviet Jewry will continue to be a matter of paramount concern to the Canadian government, Multicultural Affairs Minister Jim Fleming told delegates attending the Canadian Jewish Congress plenary assembly.

"Anatoly Scharansky will not be forgotten," Fleming declared. Denial of human freedom, whenever it occurs, will be a concern of mine and the government of Canada.

Speaking at luncheon meeting at which the Isaiah award for peace and justice was presented to Bishop Eugene Larocque, chairman of the National Tri-Partite Liaison Committee, for his "active and continued involvement in advancing the cause of Jewish-Christian relations," Fleming reaffirmed his personal commitment towards Jews living in the Soviet Union and pledged to "make every effort to ensure that my colleague, the Secretary of State for External Affairs(Mark MacGuigan) is aware of my involvement in this matter."

Fleming told the meeting that the matter of human rights will be raised by Canada this fall at the Conference of Security and Co-operation in Eurpoe, to be held in Madrid.

"We will not, as a government, abandon the Helsinki monitoring group in the Soviet Union," Fleming vowed." We will not be deviated from the human rights issue, as much as the Soviet Union would like to dwell on other matters.

Referring to the recent decision of the Canadian government to boycott the summer Olympics in Moscow, Fleming said he hoped the Jewish community is reassured that human freedom is a hallmark of the government's foreign policy.

"We firmly believe that only when people can move about with freedom are they truly free; without freedom of movement, all other freedoms become relative, and the Soviet Union certainly exemplifies that truth today."

During his address, which was interrupted several times by applause by the enthusiastic audience, Fleming noted that the Jewish community has always championed human rights of all groups, and specifically alluded to "your enthusiastic response to Chinese Canadians in the "W-5 affair" and to Italian Canadians in the "Connections 11" issue.

"In the context of the world, or even in Canada, these acts, by themselves, may be of little import. In the area of human relations, the realm of cross-cultural understanding and dialogue, acts such as these are of immeasurable value -- for care, genuine care, is indeed a very scarce commodity."

Scroll honors Kurelek

TORONTO —

An illuminated scroll honoring the memory of Canadian artist William Kurelek was presented to Mrs. Jean Kurelek, at the archives session of the plenary assembly of Canadian Jewish Congress.

The scroll praises Kurelek's work for portraying the heritage of the various ethnic groups in Canada and in particular for his paintings on Jewish life in Canada which appeared in the book, co-authored by the artist with Abraham Arnold.

The scroll is signed by Rabbi Gunther Plaut, Congress president; Alan Rose, executive vice-president; Victor Sefton, president of the Canadian Jewish Historical Society and Abe Arnold, secretary of the historical society.

Present regime seen threatened by radical Moslems

Sees a catastrophe facing Syrian Jews

TORONTO —

Jews still remaining in Arab lands stand on the brink of catastrophe and their embattled voices are neither heard nor listened to, Judy Feld-Carr, a prime mover of the only national committee in the world that directly helps Jews inside Arab lands, told a CJC plenary session.

The cause of persecuted Syrian Jewry, she maintained, offers arguments for human rights that are at least as legitimate as those of the Palestinians -- if not more so.

Expressing fear that Syrian Jews in particular may soon be victims of another Holocaust, Mrs. Feld-Carr said the present regime of Syrian president Hafez-al Assad faces a civil war with fanatic Moslem elements.

The serious persecution now facing these Syrian Jews is likely to get worse with the ascension to power of more radical Moslem forces, she said.

Mrs. Feld-Carr, who recently resigned the chairmanship of the CJC national committee for Jews in Arab lands, said Syrian Jews live with daily terror and harassment and are unable to emigrate legally.

"The main task of the CJC committee," she emphasized, "is to help bring those Syrian Jews to freedom, and, in the meantime, keep up their morale by trying to maintain direct contact and sending funds and religious articles."

Frustrated by the sluggish and minimal response to the plight of Jews facing extermination in Arab lands, Mrs. Feld-Carr said the task ahead calls for the fullest cooperation of the world Jewish community everywhere.

She urged fuller participation by Sephardic Jews, particularly those living in Canada. The politicization of Canadian Sephardic Jews, she said, would be an invaluable asset in the cause of rescuing Jews from Arab lands.

Mrs. Feld-Carr spoke to an audience of about 70 during the CJC plenary convention -- a gathering, she pointed out, which was the largest ever assembled by her committee.

Despite the modest response to the committee's efforts, nevertheless that same Toronto committee "is the only game in town" as far as saving the lives of Syrian Jews is concerned, a top Israeli spokesman stated.

"World leadership for the rescue of 5,000 Jews living in Syria comes from this committee in Toronto," said Malka Hillel Shulewitz, co-ordinator of the Israel Academic Committee on the Middle East, which is a major source of contact and information for academics around the world.

Mrs. Shulewitz argued forcefully for a hard-hitting program of communication about the rights of Jewish refugees from Arab lands to be properly compensated for the land, property and possessions they left behind.

She estimated their confiscated wealth in billions of dollars which includes about 100,000 square kilometers of land.

The World Organization for Jews from Arab Countries, which was formed in Israel in 1975, has about 10,000 files detailing what Jews left behind but nothing has been done to seek financial compensation, she said.

"We have never hit back with these legitimate claims," she contended. She despaired of the "absurdity of not pursuing Arab countries" for settlement of Jewish rights at a time when the whole world is "screaming" about Palestinian rights.

She urged Israel and Diaspora Jews to get their act together to formally and systematically outline claims and a program of approach to Arab countries.

Fast deterioration facing Falasha Jews

TORONTO —

A Falasha Jew touring North America on behalf of his people has sounded a plaintive appeal for Diaspora Jewry to help Falashas leave Ethiopia and immigrate to Israel.

"Save us from suffering," urged Baruch Tegene, now an Israeli citizen, in a plea at Canadian Jewish Congress' plenary assembly.

In his short, poignant address, Tegene also urged the Israeli government to do more to facilitate the emigration of Falashas.

Wearing a green and white knitted kipa and a conservative business suit, Tegene told his audience: "We need your help right now...You can save us."

Tegene, who slipped out of Ethiopia surrepititiously, made his way to Israel five years ago, leaving behind his parents, three sisters and four brothers. He completed his high school education in Israel, then served in the army. Three weeks ago, he married Susie Migicovsky, a Montrealer whom he met in Israel.

Tegene's uncle was Ethiopian ambassador to Israel until recently, when he sought and received diplomatic asylum in Rome.

The condition of Ethiopian Jewry is fast deteriorating as a result of war, hunger, disease and discrimination, Tegene disclosed. Despite the exalted status of a few Falashas -- who usually conceal their religion -- the majority of Ethiopian Jews are in dire straits.

Caught in the grip of a situation approximating

Baruch Tegene [third from left] as seen with his wife Susie [second from left] and her parents.

civil war, some 10,000 Falashas have been killed as innocent victims in the last six years, he said. Ethiopia is reportedly home to about 30,000 Jews, all of whom yearn to live in Israel.

"We've fought for our existence, freedom and religion," Tegene said, referring to the persecution and forced conversions the community has endured for centuries.

He said Falashas, long isolated from mainstream Jewish communities, believed they were the world's only Jews until they established contact with a Jewish scholar earlier this century.

"In Ethiopia, we were always looked upon as strangers without any rights."

"We pray we'll go home to Israel. "Tegene added.

The Israeli rabbinate recognized Fasashas as Jews under the Law of Return in 1973, but only about 350 Falashas live in Israel today. Tegene charged that Israel, in the wake of that decision, had not exerted a "serious effort" to aid Falashas. "A few powerful people in the government opposed us," he observed.

Although Israel's attitude towards Falashas has undergone a positive change of late, Tegene chided the Jewish state for having refused to publicize the plight of Ethiopian Jews and for not having dispatched a shaliach to the country.

Most Falashas, he disclosed, must emigrate from Ethiopia without Israel's assistance. Sometimes, he confessed, he asks himself whether Israel is a haven for only certain types of Jews. It was difficult for him to have faith in Israel, he said, if Falashas got only promises, as opposed to results, from Israeli officials.

"All of us love Israel, but when a mistake is made we must speak up," he said to applause.

In an interview, the 35-year-old Falasha mused that Israel generally conceives of Falashas as primitive Jews who can be of no possible service to the country. And some Israelis just don't want black Jews in their midst, Tegene said. Recently, Yosef Burg, the minister of interior, told a reporter that "Israel dosen't need 'schwartzers'," Tegene said.

He revealed that he may return to Ethiopia in a bid to smuggle some of his fellow Jews out of the country.

Diaspora Jews facing a decline in their number

TORONTO —

Diaspora Jewry faces a bleak outlook because of mounting assimilation, growing mixed marriages, falling Jewish birth rates and the sheer indifference of Jews to Judaism.

This was the sombre message brought to the Canadian Jewish Congress plenary assembly by Israel Singer, director of the World Jewish Congress' North American division.

Quoting a recent sociological study, Singer said there are 400,000 mixed couples in the U.S. today. In only 100,000 cases has the Christian partner converted to Judaism. Children born to couples who have not changed their religion are lost to Judaism, he said.

The average American Jewish family size is 2.7, considerably smaller than the mean U.S. family. Orthodox Jews, however, have families ranging in the vicinity of 5.3, and their community is getting bigger.

In reply to a question, Singer said Jewish life in Romania is more creative that in the U.S.

In Western Europe, the only growth rates are provided by an influx of Israelis, who bring the Hebrew language but no institutions of Jewishness with them, Singer noted.

He said West Germany has 70,000 Jews, of whom some 50,000 are Israelis. Most Israelis are either illegal immigrants or temporary residents. He suggested that the bulk of Israelis there might be assimilated.

Singer called the presence of so many Israelis in West Germany as "probably the most shocking phenomenon in Western Europe."

Turning to the Soviet Union, he suggested that many more Jews there would have assimilated if not for anti-semitism. Singer said the antisemitic material currently published by Moscow "makes the **Elders of Zion** look pale. It's absolutely unbelievable."

On Iran, Singer said that the rise of Islamic fundalism many contribute to the worsening of conditions for Persian Jews.

In Latin America, Jews are materially well off, but their future is far from assured, Singer said.

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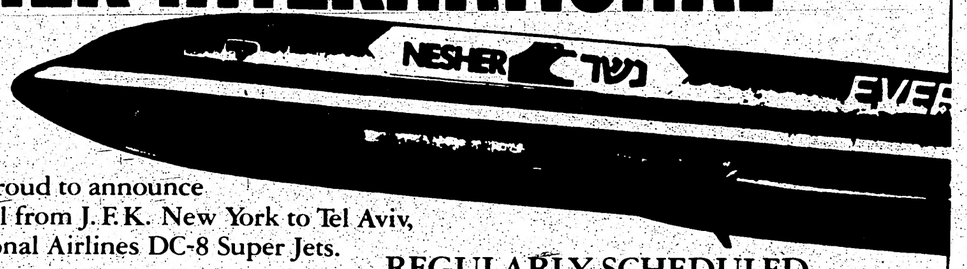

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Plaut sounds plea for end to infighting in his final address as CJC national president

Outgoing president of CJC, Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut.

TORONTO –

Outgoing Canadian Jewish Congress president Rabbi Gunther Plaut took the opportunity of his final presidential address to implore organized community groups not to allow infighting to take precedence over the "enormous field of work before them."

Speaking at the opening luncheon of the 19th plenary assembly of CJC, a long and at times volatile session, Plaut admitted, somewhat emotionally, that while the past three years has seen Congress achieve a widening of its influence and the adoption of a new constitution which "has broadened the scope of (Congress) participation considerably," in certain areas, "there have been serious failures."

"Above all, I failed to achieve that sense of Jewish unity which at the beginning I hoped might lie within our grasp," Plaut said referring to the reluctance of the B'nai B'rith to associate itself on some level with CJC. "This is not the place to tell you why it happened and why other serious controversies erupted, but to report that this is what did happen," he said.

"I learned a very sad lesson," he continued. "While we were threatened from without we fought with each other, something that left me deeply disillusioned and disheartened."

Mainly because of the internal wrangling, Plaut said that Congress' participation in all joint commissions, specifically the Committee on Soviet Jewry, the Canada-Israel Committee and the Joint Community Relations Committee will have to be reviewed in order "to either prevent his kind of internal quarrel from happening again, or if necessary, to take those steps which will assure our own freedom of action.

"The internal structure which joins various partners together has shown some serious flaws, and these need frank and bold assessment."

Plaut seemed to relish his new role as an elder statesman in the Jewish community which, he claims, gives him the opportunity to speak out in a way which, he found impossible as president.

"After assuming office, I found that I was boxed in by structural and organizational restraint," Plaut asserted. "I had to make sure that when I spoke as president I spoke, indeed, for Congress. Contradictory as it may seem to you, I found that as president I had less liberty to speak on behalf of Canadian Jewry and less opportunity to do so freely than I had before, when I was unemcumbered by office."

Favors unity

TORONTO –

Rabbi Gunther Plaut, in his final presidential address, emphasized that "the Quebec question is not one for Quebec alone ... it belongs to all Canada," and admitted that there has been much criticism of Quebec Congress leadership for not taking an official stand.

"I have my own personal views on this matter," Plaut said, "but I have observed the discipline of silence – though after the referendum this may no longer be advisable or feasible."

Plaut stressed that the Jewish community does and will respect the French fact – the desire to cherish French culture and civilization, and he reaffirmed that "our national headquarters is in Montreal, and that is where it will remain in the foreseeable future."

Speaking about Congress structure, Plaut asserted that the time has come for all Canadian Jews to have a direct vote for national officers, and he proposed that the constitutional committee look into the possibility of having a single election day in all Canadian Jewish communities.

No one in this country should be disenfranchised, said Plaut, because of the high cost of travel to conventions.

Turning towards CJC future goals, Plaut claimed that "our greatest hope lies in being a flexible and responsive organization that will be able to deal with new challenges as they arise."

To this end, Plaut stressed, Congress must work "to strengthen Canadian Jewish life, secure a healthy Israel, assist Jews in all parts of the world and help Canada enrich its human and material potential."

Following Plaut's enthusiastically received address, the delegates, after a moving testimonial to the late Saul Hayes, former executive vice-president of Congress by close friend and colleague Monroe Abbey, viewed a film on the history of Canadian Jewry.

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Harold Buchwald

Davis tells CJC yes vote means destruction

TORONTO –

Ontario Premier Bill Davis received a standing ovation for his address to the Canadian Jewish Congress plenary on the need for all Canadians to fight against the upcoming Quebec referendum.

"A Yes vote in the referendum would run counter to the drive for change that exists in every part of Canada," he told the more than 1,200 delegates at the final plenary luncheon. "A Yes vote means deadlock ... Yes in the Quebec referendum means inevitably the destruction of what we have built together for over 100 years."

Davis has been one of the leading advocates of constitutional change as the best means of satisfying the evloving needs and desires of the provinces.

"The Canadian Jewish Congress and the various organizations which are part and parcel of its operations meet at a time of considerable anxiety here at home. I am sure that the full implications for that domestic anxiety are not lost on anyone here," he said.

"The challenge which has been so forcefully asserted by the holding of the referendum in Quebec should be recognized as a Canadian challenge and dealt with as such by all Canadians," he declared.

Stanfield recommendations 'troublesome': CIC chairman

TORONTO –

The Canada-Israel Committee must strive to ensure that recommendations contained in Robert Stanfield's second and final report on the Middle East are not translated into government policy, the national chairman of CIC told the Canadian Jewish Congress plenary assembly.

Describing Stanfield's report as "a very, very troublesome document," Harold Buchwald expressed the hope that it would "gather dust" on archival shelves and be forgotten by the present Liberal regime.

Stanfield, former leader of the Progressive Conservative Party, was appointed by then prime minister Joe Clark to study the feasibility of moving Canada's embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

In his report, tabled in the autumn of 1979, Stanfield advised Clark that transferring the embassy would be prejudicial to ongoing peace talks in the Middle East.

Stanfield's second report, issued early this year following the downfall of the Conservative government, urged Canada to increase contacts with the PLO and suggested that anti-boycott legislation would be construed by Arabs as an unfriendly act against them.

The new Liberal government has not acted to date on any of Stanfield's recommendations.

Buchwald, a Winnipeg lawyer, said that government acceptance of the report would be of much concern to supporters of Israel.

It is the duty of the CIC, he declared, to persuade federal authorities not to implement any of Stanfield's "troubling" recommendations, which, though couched in even-handed language, would represent a break with Canada's traditional policy on the Middle East.

Terming the embassy affair as "scaring and scary" for Canadian Jewry, Buchwald claimed it had whipped up an atmosphere of hostility against Jews in this country for the first time in many years.

In some circles, he added, the old canard of dual loyalty was raised. Buchwald called the affair a low point in Canadian-Israeli relations in the last 13 years, from which the community is only now recovering.

He deplored Stanfield's thesis that a decision to transfer the embassy should await a permanent peace agreement between Israel and the Arabs. No previous government, he pointed out, had ever adopted such a position.

If this remains Canadian policy, Arabs states will, in effect, dictate the timing of the move, Buchwald warned.

In reply to a question from the floor, Buchwald said he did not share the view that Ottawa had assigned scant priority to passing anti-boycott legislation. The state of the economy and the question of energy preoccupy the government, he explained.

Mark Resnick, acting CIC director, said there is "pretty broad" support in Ottawa for some type of anti-boycott legislation. Asked about Trudeau's alleged ambivalence to Israel, he said the prime minister was in fact responsive "to the needs of our community."

Shira Bessin, CIC research director, accused the media of simplifying the complexity of the Arab-Israeli dispute, and of identifying the PLO with all Palestinians.

Myer Bick, past national director of CIC, conceded that Israel has lost a "good deal" of Canadian public support since 1967, but he was unable to quantify the extent of the erosion.

Buchwald, in his address, urged Jews occupying key leadership positions in the community not to air their dissenting views outside the framework of communal organizations, lest the community's consensus be destroyed. A responsible community, he emphasized, should speak with one voice to government.

CJC defers pro-unity resolution

TORONTO –

The only Canadian Jewish Congress motion connected with the upcoming Quebec referendum — a pro-unity resolution — at the CJC plenary was shelved for further discussion.

The "Resolution on Canadian Unity" was one of about 50 resolutions presented over the period of 1½ hours for delegate approval, on the last day of the plenary. Because of a technicality involving the inclusion from the floor of six amendments to it, the resolution was not voted upon immediately. Donald Carr, resolutions committee chairman, held it over until the amendments were presented to him in writing.

It was re-introduced as the very last item, when hotel staff were already entering the convention room to prepare for the next event. No time was allowed for discussion, let alone a vote. Carr said that it and other undiscussed resolutions would be referred to the regions to solve, within a period of 60 days.

The original resolution read as follows:

"To develop the highest standard of citizenship in the Jews of Canada by encouraging, carrying out and participating in activities of a national patriotic cultural and humanitarian nature, in furtherance of the best interests of the country and of the Jewish people;

"Be it resolved that the CJC reaffirm its support of these aims and objectives, particularly within the context of the aim of national unity of Canada."

This is the text of the amendments, as repeated for The Canadian Jewish News by the delegate who introduced them, Geoffrey Katz, 26: "Whereas throughout history, Jews hope for and work towards a world of peace among nations; whereas Jews have an inalienable right to live freely with all rights in harmony with all people in the world, and with our national homeland, Israel; Be it resolved that:

"In the same way we support the Quebecois people of French heritage in their right to live freely with all rights as human beings among all other people in the world;

"We encourage the Quebecois people of French heritage to choose the way in which they wish to live and this in consultation and in friendship with Jews and with people of other heritage in Quebec and throughout Canada;

"We encourage the Quebecois people of French heritage to support the right of all people in Quebec and everywhere in the world to live as they choose;

"We encourage all other people in Canada to support the Quebecois people of French heritage to live as they choose;

"We encourage all people in Canada to share and to work towards a better world for us all."

Quebec government not racist, CJC regional director says

TORONTO –

The session on Quebec Jews took place quietly and was only partially attended by delegates at the Canadian Jewish Congress plenary.

Scheduled for the last morning of the four-day gathering and immediately prior to the resolutions plenary, the Quebec session, because of time limitations, was cut short by a half hour.

Chaired by Dorothy Reitman, the meeting dealt with what is happening in Quebec as the province faces a May 20 referendum on sovereignty-association, and clarified Congress' reasons for not taking an official stand on the matter.

Jack Kantrowitz, executive director of the Quebec region of CJC, told the assembly that "on an institutional level, there is no anti-semitism in Quebec, nor has there been increased anti-semitism on an individual level.

"Any attempt to describe the activities of the Quebec government as either racist or nazi-like is not only distasteful but a disservice."

Acknowledging that a Yes vote in the referendum will no doubt result in some Jews leaving the province, Kantrowitz asked Jewish communities throughout the country to "hear them out, listen to what they have to say and, above all, give them your support."

Frank Schlesinger, newly elected chairman of the Quebec region, said he is well aware "that Congress is being both praised and chastised for its position of neutrality.

"However, Congress has never taken an official political position," Schlesinger noted.

"Congress is not a political institution, it is a social institution defending the rights of individuals."

It is the belief of Congress, Schlesinger said, that the referendum does not directly affect the Jewish community."

Further, Schlesinger explained, to take a stand, would be a "direct opposition to the government in power.

"We must approach the government of the day as a non-political entity," Schlesinger stressed, "but Jewish community members are urged to take a personal stand, for whomever they wish, but as individuals, not as spokesmen for the Jewish community and not as officers of Congress."

Former NDP leader David Lewis, in closing the discussion, said that while agreeing with Congress' stand, urged the people of Quebec to think out carefully what they are doing.

"Voting Yes for sovereignty-association will not enhance the possibility of achieving Quebec's objectives in co-operation with the rest of Canada," Lewis stressed.

"No matter what happens May 20, there must be further negotiations with the other provinces."

CJC Plenary

Finding funding problem because of high inflation

TORONTO –

Finding sufficient funding for new and worthwhile Canadian Jewish Congress programs is a severe problem and frustration for the non-profit organization in this age of inflation, executive vice-president Alan Rose told delegates to the CJC plenary.

"There is hardly a day that we do not receive requests for funding of any number of really worthwhile projects, most of which would greatly enrich the cultural domain of the community if monies could be found," Rose said.

"We must be realistic visionaries," he noted "certainly we live in a period where no government can meet the rising expectations of its citizenry at a time when budgets either 'hold the line' or diminish because of inflation.

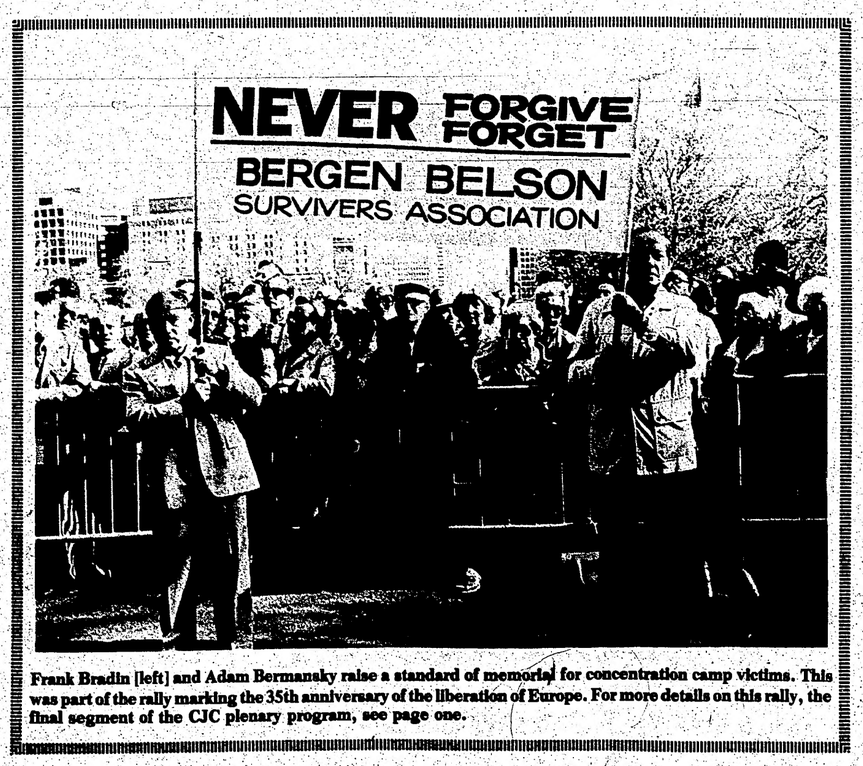
"This holds equally true in the Jewish community, because we do not print money or engage in deficit financing."

Because of inflation, Rose said that "we must think in terms of choices rather that solutions."

Although Rose conceded that while he understands and respects those members of the Jewish community who believe that in the post-Holocaust age "our concerns should be for ourselves and ourselves alone," this position does not respond "to the realities of maintaining a viable Jewish life in the true sense of the meaning in Canada."

"It has always seemed to me," Rose emphasized, "that our law and history are explicit in the demand that we carry two meritorious burdens -- one concerns outselves as Jews, and the other relates to the human condition.

"There is no doubt in my mind that Jewish tradition demands that we address ourselves to the substantive human rights problems of all our fellow citizens in Canada."



Frank Bradin [left] and Adam Bermansky raise a standard of memorial for concentration camp victims. This was part of the rally marking the 35th anniversary of the liberation of Europe. For more details on this rally, the final segment of the CJC plenary program, see page one.

Full coverage for CJC plenary

The 1980 plenary assembly of Canadian Jewish Congress was covered by a team of CJN staff reporters including David Birkan, Susan Lazarus, Sheldon Kirshner, Beverley Stern and our Winnipeg correspondent, Abraham Arnold. All photos are by Ben Lechtman.

Because of deadline and space restrictions, it was impossible to complete the coverage in this issue and there will be another full report in the May 15 issue.

U.S. Jews feel ambivalent about Carter administration

TORONTO –

American Jews feel an extraordinary ambiguity towards the Carter administration oscillating between shifts of solid and substantial support and open expressions of disavowal and frustration, the primary spokesman of American Jewry told a world Jewish plenary at the recent CJC conference.

While clearly voicing American Jewish apprehension over Carter's foreign policy, Theodore R. Mann, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, affirmed that the Carter administration was "Israel's most critically important ally in the whole world."

The Conference of Presidents represents the collective voice of 32 national secular and religious organizations in the U.S., and as the all-embracing coalition of the world's largest Jewish community, is considered a powerful voice in the expression of Jewish opinion, particularly in international affairs.

"It was Carter's guts, his stubbornness, his unwillingness to let go which brought about the Camp David Accords, and for this, he has written himself into the history of the Jewish people," Mann declared.

Mann further praised Carter for keeping his promise never to cut aid to Israel, and in fact, he said, "there has never been an administration as generous in its financial and military support."

He also lauded the "human rights thrust of Carter's administration which had effected the most helpful and humane action ever taken on the subject of Soviet Jews and distressed Jews in other parts of the world."

Theodore Mann

But Mann, a prominent Philadelphia attorney, took pains to list the reasons many American Jews felt at odds with Carter.

"It is not just his administration's opposition towards Israel's settlements and West Bank policy — a posture which many American Jews also criticize— but his rose-colored views of the Soviet Union and the PLO, he said.

"American Jews were appalled when they heard Carter say Afghanistan taught him the reality of Soviet objectives" — especially when the Soviet Union makes no bones about the fact that detente never precluded it from supporting social revolutions wherever they may be, Mann stated.

Mann reviewed the confrontations that took place between the American Jewish community and the Carter administration over its "flirtation with the PLO," and its decision in October 1977 to try and bring the Soviet Union into the Middle East peace process.

Trying to bring the PLO or the USSR into the peace talks was counter-productive, he emphasized.

He revealed the consternation American Jews felt over the UN vote debacle and the administrations predisposition to take Egypt's side in the ongoing negotiations, calling Israel 'intransigent' and an 'obstacle to peace.'

But most important, he stressed, the radical shifts of American Jewish feelings for and against Carter reflected the same patterns in the larger American community in their concerns over the whole future of the U.S. — and the ability of the Carter administration to handle world crises.

On the same world Jewish plenary program, Baron Alain de Rothschild the chairman of the political body of French Jewry, informed the audience that, "Jews in France are daily waging a fight in all directions for a more balanced approach to the whole question of Israel and resolution of the Palestinian crisis."

While noting the support of many writers, journalists, and political parties for a "more just" approach, de Rothschild voiced his acute concern over the French government's increasingly favorable stance towards the PLO.

He revealed that the organized French Jewish community helped muster a vigorous and successfull campaign against Arafat's visit to Paris as an official guest of the French government.

Speaking on the anomalies of anti-semitism in France at a time when French Jews are enjoying the "largest liberties in the exercise of religion, education and participation in political and public life," de Rothschild briefly elaborated on open terrorist incidents such as bomb attacks on the offices of Jewish organizations, and more subtle media expressions of anti-semitism and neo-Nazism in books, newspapers and public lectures.

In his historical overview of the development of the French Jewish community, de Rothschild noted with pride the "successful integration" of hundreds of thousands of Jews from Egypt, Morocco, Tunisia and Algeria.

"It is to the credit of our religious and lay institutions ... that nothing was spared financially or socially ... to welcome our brethren from over the Mediterranean," he said.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Unwilling to trade

Jews account for just 1.6% of the population of Quebec according to latest available figures. Their identification with the anglophone world is historically established; their devotion to Canada, the land which gave them refuge and a free environment to flourish culturally and economically, is unwavering; and their suspicion of anything that might cause division between peoples because of ethnic, religious or linguistic backgrounds is well known and understood.

In short, no one expected the Jewish community to be among the believers in the Quebec nationalist movement's goal of self-determination and, with the exception of a few individuals, they have not been. In fact, Jewish men and women have stood alongside those in the forefront of opposition to any perceived infringement of civil liberties in Quebec, and more recently, of defence of federalism.

And yet, the Parti Quebecois government during the almost four years it has been in office, has shown — both by the verbal utterances of many of its members and by concrete financial assistance in many areas — an understanding and a desire to become even better acquainted with the Jewish community. One need only cite a few examples: the 80% funding of the Jewish day schools, unequalled in North America; co-operation in expansion of homes for old and chronically ill and other social services; an open wooing of young Jews to seek jobs in the Quebec civil service; a five-part TV series on the history, concerns and future of Quebec's Jews, as expressed by themselves, shown throughout the province on the government-owned network.

Many may look upon these points with a measure of cynicism. But one claim can not be made about the motives behind this reaching out — and that is vote-getting. No matter how much generosity this Quebec government showed to the Jewish community, it could not significantly sway this very small segment of the electorate, and the government would be the first to admit it.

Then what is the explanation? Premier Levesque has mentioned the reason on a number of occasions: a society's treatment of its Jewish population is the weathervane of democracy. His government is very sensitive to how its respect for minority rights is perceived. Premier Levesque was not exaggerating when he recently told a Jewish audience in Montreal that charges of racism within the PQ were "insulting," and that hints of Nazism were "too hideous for words."

Let it be stated clearly here that such allegations are unfounded and unfair, and represent at best the thoughts of a very small, misinformed or closed-minded minority. But it is equally unfair to castigate anyone who does not share in the nationalist's dream of independence, sovereignty, or what other terminology that is in favor at the time, as an obstructor of French aspirations or, worse, a denigrater of French Quebecers' ability to run their own affairs.

If there are fundamental differences of opinion between Quebec Jews and the PQ, it is based on the lessons of history. The PQs invitation to "come into the fold" and share in the building of a new Quebec is appropriate, but the implication it carries is that those who do not are aliens in the province.

Living and working in French is not the problem — Quebec's Jews have the highest rate of bilingualism of any non-French group. The Jewish day schools have greatly increased the amount of French taught, and the communal agencies offer their services in French. French-language programming has been increased, and efforts are made to enter into dialogue with French Quebecers.

This is adaptation; a modification of habits to changing times. It does not involve the forfeit of one identity for another. Jews have lost none of their Jewishness by going French. Although the media has focused on the Jewish youth that have left, many are determined to remain.

The integration called for in espousing Quebec nationalism seems to be too narrow. Societies based on the interests of one group have not been conducive to Jewish life. A society divided along the lines that "you are either for us or you are against us" is not viewed as healthy by Jews.

Canada, on the other hand, has actively encouraged multiculturalism. Canadian society is seen as one not fearful of the ethnic, religious or cultural peculiarities of its citizens. Rather, these differences are considered an enrichment to the country as a whole.

The present Quebec government's record in its attitude to the Jewish community has been admirable up to now — no argument. But it has been in a Quebec within confederation that Jews have enjoyed this goodwill. Although this system has its imperfections, its basic merit has been proven for more than a century. Nobody can fault Quebecers for being unwilling to trade for what could possibly be an uncertain tomorrow.

New historians

Historians are thought of as literary preservers of the past. A recent article in the New York Times suggests that we broaden our definition of historians to include two Jewish gentlemen whose cinematographic records of pre-Holocaust Jewish life is not recognized as a significant cultural monument.

Anyone who has seen **Yiddle mit a fidel, Mamele, Mirele Efros, Greene Felde** or **The Dybbuk** knows the pathos that is generated in the viewer as he sees Jewish scenes of yesteryear. The actors who played in these films, Molly Picon, Maurice Schwartz and Moyshe Oysher enjoyed a relative fame for their work.

To this juncture, however, the names of Joseph Green and Joseph Seiden have remained in obscurity — a curious fact considering that they were the principals in beginning the Yiddish film industry.

Green, we are told by journalist Don Isaac, was a choir boy in Al Jolson's first talkie, **The Jazz Singer.** Bitten by the film bug, Green decided to create a Yiddish film industry. He went to Poland, where costs were much lower than in the U.S. and produced four movies using the towns of Kazmierz and Lemberg for the shooting of **Yidel** and **A Brivele der Mamen.**

Interviewed recently, Mr. Joseph indicates that already in the mid 1930s he sensed that the writing was on the wall for European Jewry and that he wished to make a celluloid record of it.

In New York, Joseph Seiden, a producer, director and distributor was engaged in Yiddish film-making perhaps without the same sense of urgency that animated Green. Seiden's son describes the fragility of the Yiddish film business and his father's many economies in the filming process.

Whatever their motives, between 1931 and 1940 these two gentlemen produced a treasure trove of films depicting "an idyllic though isolated Jewish world in a pastoral setting; and modern urban melodrama, replete with realistic trappings, documentating the pains and joys of partial assimilation."

Because the Yiddish films were produced on nitrate-based celluloid stock they were in danger of disintegrating until Brandeis University's American Jewish Historical Society set out to rescue them.

The new president

Congratulations to Irwin Cotler on his election as president of the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Cotler and his opponent, David Satok, fought a tough battle for the presidency. Surprisingly, it was not a "Montreal vs. Toronto" fight, as was often the case in the past.

There will be tough days ahead. Cotler will have to try and stop the infighting in the Jewish community, which Rabbi Gunther Plaut alluded to in his final address as president.

In an interview in the last issue of The CJN, Cotler called for "a new Jewish federalism" in Canada through enhanced communication between CJC and its regional affiliates and community councils, plus "rationalization and decentralization of functions and services." We hope he attends to this crucial matter promptly — especially in view of the fact that the smaller communities urgently require help in keeping Jewish life afloat.

Above all, Congress — if it is to carry on with existing programs and develop these programs essential to Jewish life — must become a leading force in aiding the national fund-raising campaigns which provide necessary dollars. Congress must now be equally as active in generating the funds, working through the national and local campaigns, as is is in programming. Cotler must make this a top priority as Congress is severely pressed financially. The new president will have his hands full!

Begin govt. out by Rosh Hashanah? that's the prediction of Ezer Weizman

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Election fever has hit Israel.

The Likud coalition, led by Prime Minister Menachem Begin, has until the autumn of 1981 to call an election. But already the Israeli press is full of articles predicting Begin's demise, and his defence minister, Ezer Weizman, is of the opinion that the government "will be out by Rosh Hashanah at the very latest."

"... the fact remains that more and more people view early elections as the only way for the country to get out of its seemingly hopeless malaise," The Jerusalem Post, a pro-Labor Party newspaper, editorialized recently.

And a poll published by Yediot Achronot, the afternoon daily, showed that over the last month the proportion of Israelis wanting early elections had jumped from 36% to 60%.

If polls and editorials are a measure of the public's mood, Likud is certainly in trouble, three years after defeating the then demoralized Labor Party. One survey by the Dahaf Research Institute indicated that an election now would give Labor, or the Alignment, an absolute majority. (No party in Israeli history has ever had a majority.)

According to Dahaf, Likud would win only 22 seats, compared to 45 in 1977. Labor, headed by Shimon Peres, would gain 65 seats in the 120-member Knesset.

On a personal level, Begin's popularity among voters has plummeted drastically. Such is Begin's standing in the country that if Ezer Weizman replaced him, Likud's margin of defeat would be smaller, says pollster Mina Zemach.

Clearly, the electorate is disenchanted with the government's performance. But whether the disenchantment can be translated into a Labor victory at the polls is quite another thing. Moreover, the real question is whether Labor can bring down Likud, which holds a slight majority, in a parliamentary vote of no-confidence.

Labor has certainly tried. In the last year alone the Likud has turned away some 20 no confidence motions. Labor chief Peres claims there is a latent Knesset majority to topple the government. A majority could be mustered, he says, if five or six MKs bolted from the coalition. What prevents such an occurrence is most probably party discipline, in his estimation. But he hopes the situation will change. "Toppling this government is our primary goal," Peres has been quoted as saying.

Disillusionment with Likud stems from several factors: the failure to deal with rampant inflation, currently running at 120%, perhaps the highest in the world; the continued expansion of Jewish settlements in the occupied territories on purely biblical, religious and messianic grounds, and the well-publicized internal squabbles within the divided cabinet.

On the economic front, the gloom was symbolized by a Passover eve announcement of an imminent 30% rise in the price of electricity and a planned increase in mail and telephone rates.

Yigael Hurwitz, the new finance minister, has abolished or reduced many government subsidies of food products, frozen wages in the public sector, suspended certain credits to private businesses and begun to look for ways of trimming the budget of the government. And, in a dramatic move, he has switched from the pound to the shekel.

Nevertheless, inflation is moving full steam ahead, playing havoc with industrial and government planning, and bringing a sense of economic insecurity to the land. As for the shekel, initial reports says it is not increasing confidence in depreciating local currency.

Furthermore, contributions from Jews abroad have not increased enough to keep pace with rising costs.

Hurwitz's efforts at budget cutting have encountered resistance from other cabinet ministers and from low-income Israelis, particularly Oriental Jews, who are most dependent on government aid.

The U.S. ambassador, Samuel Lewis, has alluded to Israel's difficulties. In a speech to Tel Aviv merchants, he declared: "Israel today is far too dependent on the United States for Israel's own good and for the good of the U.S." Such dependence, he added, would subject Israel to what he termed "the vagaries of American policymakers."

Insofar as settlements in the occupied areas are concerned, most Israelis equate them with security. But only a minority is in favor of implanting them in highly populated Arab regions of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

The Likud doctrine, which proclaims that "there shall never be a boundary between the River Jordan and the Mediterranean Sea," calls for settlements to be established not only on the basis of security, but on the grounds of religious sentiment as well.

Labor, by contrast, favors settlements if they enhance Israel's security. Biblical notions play no role in their decision-making process. And unlike Likud, Labor would be prepared to withdraw from parts of the West Bank if these areas were demilitarized, and if no foreign armies were permitted to cross the Jordan River.

In pushing its view, Likud has stirred national and international controversy by its decision to build an educational-cum residential complex in the centre of Hebron and by Menachem Begin's proclamation that Israel will erect more Eilon Morehs.

(Eilon Moreh, an illegal settlement overlooking Nablus, was dismantled recently as a result of a Supreme Court order. It symbolized Likud's determination to set up outposts everywhere in the historical Land of Israel. When Begin assumed office, he visited Eilon Moreh and called for more such settlements.)

Begin, together with several of his ministers, believes that Jews have a right to settle Judea and Samaria, political consequences notwithstanding. But a few of his colleagues, including Weizman and Deputy Prime Ministers Yigael Yadin and Simcha Erlich, disagree, and this divergence has been reflected in sometimes rowdy cabinet meetings.

Shimon Peres

Menachem Begin

Weizman, who doesn't hide his ambition to succeed Begin, has been in the forefront of criticizing the government for its settlement policy. Though he began his career in politics as a vehement hawk, the former minister of transportation and head of the air force has moderated his views since Anwar Sadat's visit to Israel in 1977.

A couple of months ago, he drew Begin's rebuke for asserting that Israel was making the world sick and tired by spending so much time on settlements when other issues were pressing for attention.

Braving further denunciation from Begin, Weizman — whose reputation for shooting from the hip is renowned — said: "I agree with this government about only one thing, the project to build the Lavie plane for the Israeli air force."

Two weeks ago, in yet another broadside, Herut's one time election campaign manager came out in favor of early national elections and said he might challenge Begin for the leadership of Likud. "We have too many doubts, too many arguments, too many partings of ways," he noted.

Weizman's advocacy of elections, combined with his sharp criticism of the government creates in the public's mind a perception that the Likud government is incompetent and disunited on vital issues — an accusation that triggered Labor's downfall in 1977.

Yet Begin and Weizman are not the only ones who are quarreling. Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon has been attacked by his colleagues for his strident opinions regarding settlements, and Finance Minister Hurwitz has threatened to resign if his draconian measures are not supported. Sources close to Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir have charged that Interior Minister Yosef Burg, who heads Israel's delegation at the autonomy negotiations, has proved he cannot perform his task.

As if these charges and counter-charges are not enough, rumors have circulated that Burg, titular head of the National Religious Party, may abandon Likud and throw his support — 12 Knesset seats — to Labor in exchange for Alignment guarantees of certain cabinet portfolios, even if a government could be formed without the NRP.

Burg has scotched these rumors, and Peres has denied "making clandestine deals with the NRP." Yet Labor has kept its options open. Peres has said that partnership with the NRP — a feature of Labor regimes for 30 years — should not be written off.

As speculation over an early election mounts the question in the minds of politicians and pundits alike is whether the Likud will in fact break up in a welter of recrimination, and whether Labor has a chance to win.

Despite their disappointment with Likud, many Israelis recall with bitterness and forboding Labor's dismal record under Yitzhak Rabin, when mismanagement and corruption tarnished the reputation of Israel. As The Jerusalem Post put it: "... when all is a said and done, Labor and Mr. Peres himself are a doubtful improvement on the Likud."

As well, it is by no means certain that Begin's allies in Likud — the Democratic Movement, Liberals, NRP and Rafi — will desert him. Some of them, notably Yigael Yadin's Democratic Movement, may have more to lose if Likud collapses.

But these realities do not dim election fever in Israel.

And neither does Shimon Peres' visit to the White House last week. He was invited to Washington by Jimmy Carter — the first time an Israeli opposition leader has been accorded that honor. Informed observers believe Carter was sounding out Peres for his views on an Arab-Israeli settlement. Begin, administration officials appear to think, is a lame duck politician who will soon face an election.

Israelis begin purchasing home safes to keep nosy tax men out of their business

By NECHEMIA MEYERS

REHOVOT — Israeli manufacturers of home safes are enjoying sudden prosperity, with sales up by nearly 100% in the past few years.

The man to whom they owe their thanks is Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz, who, anxious to get at untaxed income and the valuables purchased with such income, recently suggested that tax officials be given permission to inspect Israel's estimated 130,000 safe deposit boxes (in the presence of their owners).

This proposal has been shelved by the government, but the very fact that it was made, apparently persuaded a good many people that home safes were preferable to safe deposit boxes.

Hurvitz remains convinced that he was right, and even after his suggestion was shot down, he asked rhetorically: "Why is it perfectly OK to have customs officials rifle through a person's suitcase to prevent smuggling, and yet wrong to open his safe deposit box in search of untaxed income that really belongs to the state."

There have been no dearth of answers to this question.

Many of the most caustic have come from his erstwhile colleagues. For example, former Finance Minister Simcha Ehrlich who became Deputy Prime Minister when he was replaced by Hurvitz, said that employing more and better trained tax officials would do more to overcome the problem of so-called black money than would this "bolshevik" scheme.

And opposition Knesset member Shulamit Aloni warned that its approval might lead to a complete disregard for individual rights, because if government representatives were allowed to pry into a person's safe deposit box, then, in all probability, they would eventually be allowed to pry into his bedroom as well.

Among the few public figures who sprang to Hurvitz's defense was Knesset member Yehuda Ben-Meir, a supporter of the present government. Ben-Meir argued that "honest men had nothing to fear from an examination of their safe deposit boxes."

Labor Party stalwart Moshe Shahal also justified the scheme because "the interests of the public should be given priority in this instance over the individual's right to privacy."

A guide to what might be discovered should safe deposit boxes be inspected was offered, Shahal said, by what had happened after a bank robbery some years ago. The robbers carried away the contents of 200 safe deposit boxes, but only 130 box owners demanded (and received) compensation from the bank. The "bashfulness" of the other 70 presumably stemmed from the fact that in order to make a claim they would have had to reveal what had been stolen.

This incident notwithstanding, most Israeli bankers believe that there is little of interest to Finance ministry officials in such boxes, mainly because tax evaders have plenty of profitable ways in which to invest their money and would not leave it simply lying in the vault of a bank. Speaking also for his compatriots, influential Bank Leumi chairman Ernest Japhet said that the status quo should be maintained in this sphere; that boxes should only be opened if a specific court order was obtained.

For most Israelis, the argument is academic because they have neither safe deposit boxes nor much money, black or white. Yet they too tend to have scant sympathy for nosy taxmen.

Their attitude was well put by a stout friend of mine who, when I asked him recently why he didn't take off a few pounds, patted his stomach and replied: "Why should I? After all, this way I can keep my reserves in a place that Hurvitz can't get at them!"

Letters to the Editor

Jewish life in Vancouver showing remarkable signs of growth, maturity

The article by Sheila Dropkin on the Vancouver Jewish community (March 20) is accurate in many details but, in my opinion, creates an overall picture which misrepresents Jewish life in this truly wonderful place to live.

It is my belief that Jewish life here is showing some remarkable signs of growth and maturity and I would like to mention a few other items she didn't cover.

Vancouver proper has four (not three) "established synagogues — one each of Orthodox, Conservative, Reform and Sephardic. In addition, Chabad House runs a complete set of religious services, including a daily minyan.

Why the adjective "fledgling" applies to the small but vigorous Richmond Etz Chaim (Orthodox) congregation and the seven-year-old North Shore congregation is beyond me. Etz Chaim recently purchased its own building and the North Shore community membership has nearly doubled in two years.

Vancouver now has an active Soviet Jewry committee which, though unrecognized in Los Angeles, is beginning to make a real contribution to the movement.

The annual seminar on the Holocaust for high school students this year had over 700 participants! Our Yom Hashoa memorial attracted over 300 people this year and featured a program entirely staffed and planned by local people. The multi-media slide, music and readings was co-ordinated by Linda Dayan, our resident painter, whose Jewish scenes are a major portion of her very successful work.

There are no up-to-date statistics on mixed marriages, but our conversion classes are full each year and it is possible that these statistics, too, will soon show change.

Our day school, under new professional leadership and very active lay boards of directors and education, is witnessing phenomenal growth.

The Vancouver Hillel Foundation, considered a lost cause not long ago, is now vibrant. Students are involved in advocacy programs, public lectures on behalf of Israel and Hillel sponsors its own alternative Shabbat minyan.

The Chelm Cultural Club, sponsor of two very successful Jewish film series, has moved from ad hoc to incorporated status.

None of the above is to pretend that there are no problems in this Jewish community. However, at least for this New York-educated yeshiva boy from a Toronto Jewish family, Vancouver shows much promise and is, Jewishly, a pretty good place to call home.

I wish the Canadian Jewish News would show greater interest in our community, obtain its information from us on a regular basis and not opt for the easy stereotyped way out provided for you by Mrs. Dropkin.

Rabbi Daniel Siegel,
Director, Vancouver Hillel Foundation.

We are two ex-servicemen who served our country during World War II with the Canadian army in continental Europe. Several months ago we visited Canada's military cemeteries in Europe and we were impressed and proud that our country, 35 years after the war, looked after the graves with love and tender care.

We said the traditional Jewish prayers for the men of our faith who lie in these cemeteries.

You can imagine how disturbed we were to read recently that vandals had desecrated the graves of 22 Jewish soldiers in France — men who were killed during the invasion at Normandy.

May we suggest that a strong protest be sent by Canada to the government of France and urge that the hoodlums be found and punished in accordance with the laws of the country. Perhaps we need to remind the people of France that these men who died and are buried in their land were instrumental, with many others who served in continental Europe, in liberating France from the Nazis. Certainly it is not asking too much to apprehend these criminals and bring them to justice.

We must admit that we will not rest until we have some kind of satisfaction from the government of France. It's time the French paid their just dues to Canada.

Al Cutler,
Hy Genelle,
Montreal.

Opinion

PRO & CON

Bronfman piece sparks letters

Edgar Bronfman, acting head of the World Jewish Congress and a member of the Montreal Bronfman clan, takes Israel and U.S. Jewish organizations to task in a New York Times Op-Ed piece, and in a WJC News & Views issue.

In the Times article, he is critical of the Begin government's settlements policy, and he describes as hysterical the reaction of some American Jewish organizations to U.S.-Israeli disagreements.

In New & Views, Bronfman writes: "There is disappointment in a country which is less than what the original Zionists envisioned — an Israel which we wanted to think of as the embodiment of Jewish ideals . . ."

According to Bronfman, Israel suffers from "rampant inflation, abysmal productivity and social services it cannot afford . . ." Israel, he adds, is a country "whose moral base is slowly eroding because of its inability to explain its 'expansionist' policies on the West Bank . . ."

Two letter writers in The Jewish Week of New York react to Bronfman's remarks in News & Views and, by implication, his opinions as they appear in The New York Times.

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Cut out abuse

By EDGAR M. BRONFMAN

President Carter called the recent United States vote in the Security Council criticizing Israel's settlements policy in the occupied territories a "mistake." His campaign chairman Robert Strauss added the adjective "deplorable." This newspaper labeled the vote and retraction a "gaffe." And Mayor Koch accentuated his reputation for shooting from the hip by making an enemies list of people in high places who are "anti-Israel."

Quite a list, including everybody at the top of Middle Eastern policy making. (Only President Carter, whom Mr. Koch supports for re-election, escaped obloquy.) The Jewish Defence League launched a wild anti-administration demonstration in the streets, accusing virtually everybody of anti-semitism, and then invaded a Carter election headquarters in Manhattan.

Meanwhile, Prime Minister Menachem Begin's government responded with a double excess. First, he appointed a new foreign minister, Yitzhak Shamir, whose views are so extremist that even Camp David is too much for him. Mr. Begin then risked the whole peacemaking process by expropriating 1,000 acres of mostly Arab-owned land in East Jerusalem, an act so defiant that Jerusalem's Mayor Teddy Kollek denounced his own government.

I am disturbed by these latest outbursts of knee-jerk reactions and loss of memory about where we are and how far we have come. The sum of this uproar is neither useful nor fair. It is not useful because at a time when negotiations between Israel, Egypt and the United States on Palestinian autonomy are entering a very crucial stage, reflexive adherence to the Begin policy on settlements can only harden positions and make those negotiations the more difficult.

It is not fair, because, among other signs of good faith, this is the administration that brought about the Egypt-Israel peace treaty. This administration has, as have previous ones, condemned the Israeli government's settlements policies as illegal and a hindrance to a broader peace. But it has never withheld or threatened to withhold aid from this Israeli government. Indeed, it has given more aid to Israel than any administration.

Leaving the Security Council vote and the administration's record aside, what is perplexing is that any disagreement with an Israeli government action is often greeted by hysterical reactions from organizations representing the American-Jewish community. These groups have always seemed to expect unquestioning support for Israel and for every action of any Israeli government. It is as if no Israeli government can do any wrong, or perhaps even worse, that whether Israel is right or wrong the United States must support every action, every position — or our government will face dire consequences.

The question of settlements on the West Bank and in Gaza is a case in point. Mr. Begin has continually put his thumb in Mr. Carter's eye on this issue. There are many Jews in Israel and throughout the world who disagree with Mr. Begin, not because they support Mr. Carter but as a matter of principle. My family and I are among them. I deplore the recent land-grabs. Yet nobody could or would call us anti-Israel or anti-semitic.

But non-Jews, and particularly those in powerful positions, who also disagree with an Israeli government are often abused in just that way. It was kind of Mayor Koch to deliberately except Mr. Carter from his "anti-Israel" list. Others have not been so kind. I know Andrew Young, Zbigniew Brzezinski, Cyrus Vance, Donald McHenry and Harold Saunders (the assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern affairs). I also know Mr. Carter. I have discussed Israel, in which I have a deep and abiding interest, with them many times. None of them is "anti-Israel," although we have disagreed about specific points and tactics.

Since Middle East problems are extremely complex and the answers not easy, it is small wonder that there are differing views among the Israeli populace in general, among elements of world Jewry and among State Department and National

Edgar Bronfman

Security Council professionals. It just is not reasonable to excoriate those whose views differ with the official Israeli position. Reason, discussion, persuasion are not always successful in changing people's minds. But blind abuse and threats are never persuasive.

I do not condone President Carter's damaging mistake at the Security Council, for which he must accept the electoral consequences. But that does not make Mr. Carter or his administration "anti-Israel." There has never been an anti-Israel United States government since the founding of the state in 1948. There have only been disagreements in tactics such as Henry A. Kissinger's, "agonizing reappraisal;" Gerald R. Ford's agreement to sell F-15's to the Saudis, which has been implemented by the Carter administration; and arms sales to Egypt.

It should be obvious that everyone's great dream is a comprehensive Middle East peace. The many players cannot be expected to march lock-step toward this goal. In the months ahead, tact, patience and coolheadedness will be required if that goal is to be achieved. Abusing people as a result of reflex reaction to any Israeli government position or disagreement with a United States negotiating position will not help. I suggest we all cut it out.

Not spokesman

I have often wondered what it would take to make me write my first letter to any newspaper. I have found the answer in your March 23, 1980 item concerning Edgar Bronfman. My initial reaction was — with "friends" like he, does Israel need enemies?

Firstly, he appoints himself spokesman for Diaspora Jews, and expresses personal views as reflecting theirs. I certainly did not elect him my spokesman, nor do I know anyone who has. I do agree with his statement that most Jews are increasingly anxious and concerned by political, social and economic troubles in the Jewish state, but not in the accusatory sense in which he states it. It is no exaggeration to assume that the Israelis themselves are even more concerned, since they have to live with it.

He states that "there is disappointment in a country which is less than what the original Zionists envisioned — an Israel which we wanted to think of as the embodiment of Jewish ideals: fairness, justice, wisdom."

He does not elaborate as to in what manner they have failed. To the Israeli citizen? It cannot be disputed that Israel's government is the epitome of democracy. This in spite of the fact that its daily existence and all future plans must be predicated upon its very survival, a situation that most other countries would grasp as an excuse to institute a dictatorship. To the Arab to whom they have granted Israeli citizenship? What other government would grant to a conquered people equal rights, much less citizenship?

He further berates Israel for its "rampant inflation, abysmal productivity, and social services it cannot afford." There is rampant inflation in most other countries today with much less reason for it than Israel, which must throw one half of its budget toward non-productive military defense needs. The same reasoning applies to its "abysmal productivity." A fraction of its defense budget diverted to industrial and consumer goods production would solve that problem. Does Mr. Bronfman really begrudge Israel's attempts to ease its citizens' burdens through social services?

"Dissention exists over the handling of the West Bank and its one million plus Arabs." So what else is new? Has anything Israel ever done — even for its very survival — been approved? As to the Arabs on the West Bank, wherein are they inhibited, except in their right to kill Israelis?

Mr. Bronfman objects that "the Begin government still insists that Judea and Samaria are really part of Israel . . ." Historically, can that be denied? Does the fact that the land was taken over by a series of conquerors by force of arms change that fact? If, by some perverted reasoning, conquest does indeed confer a "right" to possession, then why deny that same right to Israel?

Mr. Bronfman believes that Israel's "moral base is eroding" because it cannot explain its "expansionist" policies on the West Bank. If he had any concept of military realities, he would not require an explanation. If, eventually, Israel is forced to give up the West Bank, it will at least have built itself a buffer zone around its spiritual heart, Jerusalem.

In closing, I would like to leave Mr. Bronfman with several thoughts. Israel is the best judge of measures to be taken for its own survival, rather than persons sitting safely in their plush offices or comfortable living rooms thousands of miles away. Further, with practically the whole world in accord in condemnation of Israel, and those few that have not been now apparently getting on the anti-Israel bandwagon, Israel certainly does not need its fellow-Jews climbing on the same bandwagon.

Alfred Freedman

Mind boggles

The mind bogglesand the bile burns to read in The Jewish Week (3/23/80) the pronouncement of one Edgar Bronfman! Who is Edgar Bronfman and what does he know? What is unfair, unjust and unwise in respect to all of Israel are the quislings in our midst. He speaks of "expansionist policies;" for shame! Why aren't Judea and Samaria really part of Israel? Because Bronfman feels that might is right? He's never read Santayana? He can't learn that simple lesson?

Bronfman is hardly the one to speak of the failure to be the embodiment of Jewish ideals. He, along with Philip Klutznick, the other member of the modern day Judenrat, would have us comply and comply. Why?

What he fails to mention is the seemingly eternal foolishness, and the seemingly eternal quest of some Jews to become "like unto the other nations." Pity. This leads all of us — Bronfman, Klutznick, Henry, too (Jewish is Jewish) down the garden path. We've been there; the weeds have hardly lost their stench. The breath of fresh air that is Israel doesn't diminish because once again, in our lifetime, we have Jews who are apologists for what is clearly not morally impressive, but downright stupid.

Helen Sherman

A job well done

Commendation for actions received by Jewish policeman

There aren't very many Jewish policemen on the Metropolitan Toronto–police force but at least one, Mark Finkelstein, does his job very well and he received a commendation as "Policeman of the Month" last November.

The April issue of News and Views, the police association publication, reveals the details as to why Finkelstein won the coveted honor:

On Saturday, Nov. 3, 1979 at about 11:00 p.m., a call was broadcast regarding gunshots fired on Hillside Drive in 54 Division. A short time later, there were further reports of gunshots on Cosburn Ave. and Gowan Ave.

Police Constable Mark Finkelstein, 6300, and Constable Gordon Gaston, 6965, were on duty in Scout car 5405 and responded to the call. Several citizens reported information and several streets in the area were checked.

Constable Finkelstein then responded to a nearby restaurant on Pape Ave. and entered by the rear door. Several patrons were in various locations within the restaurant.

A suspect was in the restaurant and he held a rifle with the barrel slightly raised at waist level. Constable Finkelstein told the man to drop the gun, then repeated that demand. The suspect turned toward him with the rifle levelled, and pointed directly at the officer.

Constable Finkelstein had drawn his service revolver and, in fear of his life and that of others in the restaurant, fired once, striking the suspect in the right hand, causing the suspect to fall to the floor.

Subsequent investigations revealed that the suspect had been involved in a domestic dispute and had taken a rifle from his closet and fired three shots in his apartment and one in the apartment hallway. He then went outside and fired three more shots, damaging two cars and a school door.

The gun used was a Lee Enfield, 303 rifle which was examined and a gouge was found on the right side of the stock in the area of the trigger guard, consistent with the bullet striking it and ricocheting into the man's hand.

Constable Finkelstein received a commendation for his actions and was further awarded by being selected as Policeman of the Month for November 1979.

Is weakness of Jewish education system reason for losing youth to the cults?

By RABBI HARVEY W. MEIROVICH

Several weeks ago an editorial appeared in The Canadian Jewish News (March 20) which made mention of an article I published recently in the **Transactions of the Jewish Historical Society of England.** The editorial pointed out the similarities in techniques used by conversionists today and missionaries who operated in London, England in the first half of the nineteenth century.

One other worthwhile similarity can be noted: The Christian missionaries quite unintentionally served as catalysts in prodding the London Jewish establishment to provide adequate educational facilities and curricula for the pockets of unsuspecting Jewish youth who fell prey to the lures of the missionaries.

In 1980 it is appropriate to ask the question whether those who exercise control over the public Jewish dollar in Toronto realize fully that the current flirtation by some of our youth with the Jews for Jesus, Hare Krishna the Moonies and their ilk is symptomatic of a malaise (to be sure, within the Jewish family) but also within our educational cadres.

Conventional wisdom has it that Canadian Jewry is a generation behind sociologically from our U.S. Jewish brethren. Scan the southern horizon and behold how American Jews are subjecting themselves to self-scrutiny. They are forced to tackle the immediate plague of the missionary-cult phenomenon while evaluating critically and soberly their entire educational superstructure.

The upshot: massive doses of money are being allocated to deprogram brainwashed youth and to assess existing formal and informal Jewish educational programs.

How ought we to assess the state of Jewish identity and commitment of Jewish youth in Toronto?

I believe we are on the threshold if not already witnessing the defection by large numbers of our teenage youth from associating with Judaism as a positive force in their lives. I intentionally draw a distinction between Judaism as an all encompassing religious and cultural civilization from the more nebulous and, to my mind, more dangerous term Jewishness which generally connotes that our youth are proud to be Jews and/or identify strongly with the Jewish people and Israel.

If the missionary-cult presence has served to strike a note of alarm into the circles of those who exercise control over the educational purse strings in our community, well and good. But, I submit, that the threat to our youth, as in 19th century London, does not come from the fringe, fanatical and fundamentalist Gentile religious cults waiting to lure away our precious Jewish souls. Unfortunately, the law of statistical averages almost ensures that the weakest and most troubled of our youth will find their way to messianic Jews or the eastern cults which offer them the womb-like haven for which they so eagerly yearn.

Without underestimating the current crisis facing the Jewish family, the potent threat to Jewish identity and values emanates from the failure of Jewish communal institutions, religious and secular, to answer the challenge posed by the open secular society which heralds affluence and creature comforts as the all important values to strive for in life. In a me-centred world, short shrift is made to the disciplined life style for which Judaism stands.

If the missionary-cult threat be a catalyst as it was in 19th century London, then let it awaken the Jewish community of Toronto to the inadeqaute Jewish educational institutions currently in vogue in our city.

Consider the sober facts:

(1) A large percentage of our pre-adolescent youth receive only a minimum of six hours a week of Jewish studies (equal in number of hours over six years to about one year of Jewish day school education).

(2) Increasing numbers of parents opt for their children the easy way out: a one day a week formal school program.

(3) Minimal effort is expended in our religious schools to integrate formal and informal education so that what is learned in the classroom is experienced in real life through regular outings, table fellowship and weekend retreats.

(4) In our day schools heavy emphasis is put on the mastering of texts and digesting factual information; and in our afternoon schools on proficiency for bar/bat mitzvah to the virtual exclusion of religious and human values which lie buried among the plethora of words rehearsed.

(5) There is a precipitous dropout rate from our day schools after completion of the elementary grades coupled with disenchantment by large numbers of students who go on to The Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto only to leave in midstream.

Recently one Toronto elementary day school board engaged in an exercise to determine why their students dropped out before completing ninth grade. A number of cogent reasons were offered (for example, the high cost of tuition). However, an obvious variable was missing from the report: the possibility that there are uninspiring teachers who do not relate to the children. Significantly, no mention was made about recently arrived Israeli teachers who encounter culture shock when confronted with our acculturated middle class youth. That such glaring facts were omitted leads me to suspect that we abound in our community with laymen and educators bent on preserving the status quo.

Do we possess the foresight to pump more of the communal dollar into creative formal and informal programs of Jewish content, be they synagogue-related schools, high calibre Jewish content camps, youth groups and experimental alternatives? Or shall we remain complacent and find ourselves responding as did our 19th century London ancestors at the 11th hour when they saw a clear and present danger at their doorstep?

MISS LILLIAN AT THE WALL

President Carter's mother, Lillian, left, chats with a rabbi near the Western Wall during a visit to Jerusalem. She was in Israel recently as the guest of Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

100th anniversary

Dream of Russian Jew results in founding of ORT

By J. B. SALSBERG

On Feb. 19, 1880, Samuel Poliakov, an influential Jewish magnate, one of the limited number of Jews allowed to live in St. Petersburg, the imperial capital of the Russian Empire, petitioned Czar Alexander II for permission to create a public fund to "aid needy Jews" in Russia.

The Czar, who was then celebrating the 25th anniversary of his reign, gave his consent on March 25. And on April 10 Poliakov and four other Jewish notables, sent a circular letter to leaders of the major Jewish communities in Russia to participate in the establishment of the special fund "to ameliorate the position of the mass of our co-religionists."

In the opinion of the signers of that circular letter, "the most generally useful work which could be achieved, would consist in the creation of a fund, the income from which could be used to aid in further development of already existing trade schools for Jews, for assistance towards the opening of new trade schools, for facilitating the movement of artisans from one place to another, and for assistance to Jewish agricultural colonies, the founding of such colonies, model farms and agricultural schools."

And that's how ORT, the Organization for Rehabilitation through Training, was born 100 hundred years ago.

ORT continues to be one of the most constructive voluntary social enterprises (outside of the building of Israel, of course) that our people fashioned in its self-help endeavors "to ameliorate the desperate positions" of their kith and kin everywhere on the troubled Jewish map during the past century.

Most of those endeavors were in response to special urgencies. They sought to provide food, healing, housing or migration to the sufferers. ORT's objectives, on the other hand, were, from its very beginning, to help our people by helping the individuals to help themselves. The method was to provide the individual with the skills to make him a constructive and gainfully employed person. And that it did, on an ever-growing scale.

I believe that a detailed history of ORT would bring to light the social and political vicissitudes of our people like few other documents would. Wherever Jewish communities were in crisis (except during the Hitlerite Holocaust) there would be found ORT fulfilling its special mission.

ORT was born in response to the impoverishment, discrimination, exclusions and pogroms that plagued millions of Russian Jews. At that time and place crafts like tailoring, woodworking, tinsmithing, barrel making, and simple machine and metal workings opened doors to useful employment and self-respect.

As circumstances and production methods changed, ORT kept pace with the new conditions. The Russian revolution of 1917-18, for instance, threw hundreds of thousands of Jews out of their pre-revolutionary occupations and sources of livelihood. ORT emerged as the major factor in retraining masses of Russian Jews to fit into the new conditions. The Soviet government appreciated this fact and actually allowed ORT to continue its work until 1938.

For the first 20 years of the Soviet regime ORT trained 35,000 Jews in industrial and agricultural skills and helped them establish 700 co-operatives and industrial enterprises in which they found a livelihood.

After the World War I, ORT taught thousands in Poland, Lithuania and in some Western countries to gain skills required at that time. The ORT international centre and teachers' training school in Switzerland became a life-saving, worldwide operation that reached out to Palestine, later Israel, to Africa, Asia and South America. It even operated a school in Montreal early in World War II to train Jewish refugees who managed to reach the shores of this country.

While ORT was employed by some governments for training operations in underdeveloped countries, its main field of activity has been Israel. Its role in the newborn Jewish state is truly an epic one. Instead of teaching barrel making or tinsmithing as it did in 1880, ORT schools in Israel are among the largest in the land and they teach electronics, computer science, engine building and other trades.

It's very appropriate that ORT's centenary, worldwide assembly will take place in Israel. Whatever ORT may do as an expertise source for governments and international agencies, ORT's roots were and remain in the Jewish milieu. Jersualem will remind the worldwide army of ORT leaders, activists and supporters of this fact.

ORT and especially ORT Women have reason to be proud of their record and we owe them our appreciation and thanks.

Onward to the second century!

Chamber forges business ties between Canada, Israel

Phil Granovsky

By ARNOLD AGES

[First of two stories]

Working quietly without the benefit of fanfare, the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce is forging a series of commercial ties between the two countries which will promote the business health of both.

The Chamber, which claims among its membership roster some of Canada's most astute businessmen, and which has received the encouragement of numerous Canadian political leaders, has been especially active in the past two years in exploring reciprocal commercial deals between Canada and Israel.

The accent within the Chamber has been on mutual exchange of goods and services. Although it is well known that Israel sold almost $50 million worth of goods to Canada in 1979, Canada's export market towards Israel has been less publicized. In fact, Israel is Canada's third largest market in the Middle East and North Africa. Only Saudi Arabia and Algeria have provided more contracts to Canadian firms.

In Israel, members of the Chamber act in an advisory capacity and encourage Israeli manufacturers to participate in government trade exhibitions worldwide so that Israeli technology, manufactured products, and other commodities will become better known in the industrial world markets. Participation in these exhibitions is extremely important because they familiarize Israeli businessmen with the requirements of the international market and help develop an approach to quality control and price standards.

Currently the Chamber is attempting to induce Israeli firms to establish warehousing and permanent representation in North America. Experience has shown that branch operations are more effective than occasional visits by Israeli representatives to display their products and services. In this regard Israeli trade commissioners on this continent work closely to facilitate congenial arrangements for the Israeli firms.

One of the most productive aspects of the Canadian-Israel Chamber of Commerce is its assistance in the promotional sector. The Chamber's good offices have been used in the recent past to help merchandisers as John Wanamaker stores in Philadelphia hold major promotions of Israeli goods. Of more direct concern to Canada is the decision taken by Thor Eaton, vice-president of Eatons of Canada, to set up store promotion of Israeli goods in Toronto and Montreal in 1981.

In developing bilateral contacts the chamber, which has on its board of directors both Jewish and gentile consultants, has a program of encouraging direct business investments in Israel. There are already several Canadian-owned companies operating in the country, including Alliance Tire and Rubber Co.,, National Brewery Ltd., Supersol Ltd., and Manulife Israel, a subsidiary of the Manufacturers Life Insurance Company of Canada.

The Canadian connection in Israeli commerce is also discernible on a more modest level in smaller enterprises such as Zimmcor-Alubin, a firm which specializes in aluminium extruded sections, a self-service pharmacy in Herzlia, Super-Pharm — and in the activities of IBI, a Toronto-based architectural firm which is involved in various design projects in Israel.

The president of the Chamber is the indefatigable Phil Granovsky, founder at Atlantic Packaging Products in Scarborough, and a community worker who has served as international vice-president of the council of Jewish Federations which incorporates 200 federated communities in the United States and Canada, as president of the United Jewish Welfare Fund of Toronto, campaign chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and as world chairman of Keren Hayesod — as well as many other important organizations.

In June of 1979 Granovsky led a delegation of Canadian businessmen to Israel's "Technology 79" exhibition, an international trade fair which drew more than 70,000 visitors to view displays by 1,400 exhibitors. The Ontario government set a precedent by establishing a pavilion occupied by nine firms in the province. In addition eight other Canadian companies were represented through Israeli agents in Israel pavilions.

The Canadian business delegation at the exhibition was overwhelmed by the warmth and graciousness of the welcome accorded them by their Israeli hosts. The mayor of Tel Aviv organized a special reception for the Canadians. Israeli government officials went out of their way to arrange appointments and conferences for the mutual benefit of the participants.

Canadian exhibitors were even more pleased by the response generated at the trade fair. Floor equipment and display models were sold on the spot. Contact was established with European buyers and agents from Greece, West Germany and Turkey.

Fron 300 to 500 visitors per day swarmed around the Ontario displays. General Electric has decided, as a result of its experiences there, to explore the possibility of setting up a manufacturing plant in Israel.

It is important to note that of the firms which exhibited its wares at the Technology 79 fair, only two of the nine are members of the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce.

In addition to the attendance at the trade fair, the Chamber was directly involved in a trade mission which discussed with various Israeli authorities potential Canadian input on various industrial projects being contemplated in Israel. These include: a new power station south of Tel Aviv, an extension to another station at Hadera and a housing plan by the city of Tel Aviv.

USSR cuts back Jewish emigration by a whopping 70% says HIAS

By DANIEL ACKS

TORONTO —

The Soviet Union has cut Jewish emigration by 70%, according to Gaynor Jacobson, executive director of the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Service.

Speaking at the Jewish Immigrant Aid Service's annual meeting held recently at the Temple Sinai, Jacobson told the large audience that Russian Jews form HIAS's "biggest active clientele" and despite recent curtailment on Jewish emigration by the Soviet Union, HIAS has "committed itself to helping those individuals wishing to emigrate, to do so."

To date, HIAS has helped 4 million Jews "leave countries of oppression to free lands," and further aided in the resettlement of a million Jews to Israel.

Hyman Rosenfeld, the JIAS national president, told the meeting that "never in our history have so many communities participated with our brethren in Russia." Currently, there are 28 Canadian communities receiving immigrants from abroad.

A presentation of the Jack Shindman scholarship award in the field of education and art was made to Igor Perlin, a Russian immigrant student of medical engineering, currently attending McMaster University in Hamilton.

In recognition of volunteer community members who have worked in the aid and resettlement to Russian immigrants, scrolls were presented to the following: Jacob Rosenthal, Windsor; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Slipacoff, Sarnia; Mr. and Mrs. David Zobin, Kingston; Mrs. Romeo Lisa Fernandez, wife of the Philipine ambassador in Ottawa; Rabbi Zev Eisenstein of Hamilton and Mrs. Penny Hersh, Mrs. Rochelle Simons and Myer Sharoni all of Cambridge.

Behind the lectern are: standing, Hyman Rosenfeld, JIAS national president; and Dr. Henry Fenigstein, central region president. They are congratulating Cambridge, Ont. are volunteers honored for their work on behalf of Soviet immigrants: [l. to r.] Myer Sharoni, who commutes from his home in Belleville to teach Cambridge-area new Canadians the rudiments of Judaism; Mrs. Rochelle Simons and Mrs. Penny Hersh.

Inflation soars but Israelis keep on buying

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL –

Despite soaring inflation, Israelis continue by and large to live beyond their means creating a false impression that things are not that bad, says a University of Haifa economist.

"Severe inflation has the result of making not only the business community, but individuals as well, stout financial managers. When cash runs out after the first two days of the month, the rest of the month is spent juggling accounts and postponing payments for as long as possible," Prof. Arie Melnik, a visiting lecturer this year at the University of Toronto and York University, told a group of bankers and business men here.

Instead of cutting back on consumption, the Israeli public has actually increased its purchase of goods and services over the past decade, and this has worsened the economic situation, he said.

"This can't last forever, and the Israelis know it. Somewhere along the way someone will have to pay.

There is no such thing as a 'free lunch,'" Melnick cautioned.

His address, titled "Inflation, interest and the balance of payments – Is there something to learn from the Israeli experience?," was the first in a series of public lectures on the Israeli economy to be held under the auspices of the new Zimmerman Foundation for Study of Banking and Finance. The foundation has been established at the University of Haifa in honor of prominent Montreal businessman and community leader Rubin Zimmerman, and his wife Faigie.

The inaugural luncheon at the Ritz Carlton Hotel was co-sponsored by the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce and the Montreal chapter of the Canadian Friends of the University of Haifa. CICC president Phil Granovsky of Toronto and Morton Bessner, president of the Montreal Friends, chaired the luncheon.

Melnik likened the search for a solution to Israel's economic woes to "looking for a black cat in a dark room while blindfolded."

Israel's economy provides a classic example of the link between interest rates and the balance of payments, he said. "You can have a good balance of payments or low interest rates, but you can't have both, and the choice to be made is really the lesser of two evils."

Explained Melnik: The Israeli government is pressured from both the business community and the public to lower interest rates but, on the other hand, Israel, a major importer, currently has a balance of payments deficit of $4 billion.

The dilemma facing Israel, if it wishes to reduce its debt, is to encourage foreign investment and to attract it interest rates must be high, which is unpopular with the public.

The other course, if Israel wants to lower interest rates, is to cut imports and pay off the accumulated debt by raising funds from the public somehow, which would be unpopular as well.

"We don't know the best solution, we are grappling with the problems, trying to find it, but we're still in that dark room looking for a black cat, and we can use all the light we can get."

Israel's inflation rate, which hit 100% last year, has had the repercussions of distorting the values of goods and services, reducing productivity, and causing social and labor unrest, Melnick added.

Because of its many economic problems, Israel is an ideal "laboratory" for research, he said.

The Zimmerman Foundation, an investment of $500,000, consists of the Zimmerman Financial Research Foundation and the Zimmerman Chair in Banking, the first to be established at an Israeli university.

In addition to the study of such major problems as inflation and balance of payments which many research institutions now focus on, Melnik said the Zimmerman Foundation will be breaking new ground in two areas: Israel's financial sector, which has been underresearched up to now, and the phenomenon of Israeli banks opening international branches.

The foundation will disseminate the results of its research in a special publication series to finance and banking students at Haifa University, to executives and practitioners in Israel, and to research organizations and scholars around the world.

More than half of the 700 students in Haifa's department of economics choose business administration as their major. At present, only one course in banking is offered. The Zimmerman Chair, to be held by a senior faculty member from the economics department, will strengthen both the teaching and research of banking.

Said Bessner: "Expansion of the research in this area is well warranted and will benefit the economy.

The Israeli financial manager faces problems, which because of Israel's particular economic environment, differ from those of other countries. Therefore research findings of other countries are not always applicable to Israel. The advancement of original research in this area is therefore particularly important."

Moshe Kones, left, executive director of the Canadian Friends of Haifa University, congratulates Rubin and Faigie Zimmerman for their support. [Howard Kay photo]

UIA Canada lines up three key speakers

Wiesel, Anug and Hartman for May 25

TORONTO –

Author and lecturer Elie Wiesel will deliver the keynote address at the United Israel Appeal of Canada banquet on Sunday evening, May 25 at the Toronto Sheraton Centre. Also speaking will be Israel ambassador to Canada Yeshayahu Anug.

The banquet is being held in conjunction with the annual general meeting of the UIA, which will feature an address by Dr. David Hartman, director of the Shalom Hartman Institute for Advanced Judaic Studies, at the Sunday luncheon session.

Dr. Hartman, who will serve as the scholar-in-residence at the conference, will analyze "The Value Crisis in Israel Today." Continuing on this theme, he will conduct a workshop on Monday morning, May 26, on the topic "The Emerging New Relationship between Israel and the Diaspora."

Also planned for Sunday, following the luncheon, is a session devoted to campaign planning and Project Renewal under the leadership of Irving Bernstein, executive vice-president of the United Jewish Appeal in the U.S.

There will be a session on "Perspectives of Israel Today," featuring as speakers Morris J. Amitay, executive director of the American Public Affairs Committee and Mark Resnick, acting executive director of the Canada-Israel Committee.

Jack Rose, national president of the UIA and women's division co-presidents Lois Raphael and Faigie Zimmerman will conclude their terms of office at the annual meeting and new officers will be elected.

Attendance is expected from across Canada, according to the UIA states.

Tickets are available for the luncheon and banquet sessions (spouses are welcome). For information and reservations contact the UIA office at (416) 789-0575.

Rally marks Europe's liberation

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siastically supported the effort by Ottawa to bring these murderers to justice.

To applause, McMurtry pledged he would do his utmost to persuade Canada's provincial ministers of justice that they should support any move by Ottawa to resolve the question of war criminals.

McMurtry said they had committed crimes against the whole of humanity, and he urged the Canadian government not to delay the process of ultimate justice by seeking "narrow legalistic arguments."

Kaplan, who is currently studying the issue in cooperation with other federal ministries, said Canada would "operate within the rule of law" in attempting to find a legal vehicle through which to prosecute war criminals. "Anything less will defeat our purpose."

Speaking in philosophical tones, Kaplan observed that Jewish experience and values would play a role in defining the moral limits of what is acceptable in a society.

The Toronto-based minister said the inter-ministerial cabinet committee examining the question of war criminals was not only looking at the past, but at the future. "We're writing a rule book for the future," he remarked.

Kaplan declared there would be no witch hunts. "That's very firm," he said, adding that the RCMP had not yet been assigned to investigate war criminals.

The rally was sponsored by the Anti-Nazi Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith, the Holocaust Remembrance Committee, Toronto Jewish Congress, the Jewish War Veterans of Canada, and the North American Jewish Students' Network, Canadian bureau.

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what's new ...about people

By MIRIAM HERMAN

SARNA AT BETH TZEDEC

Beth Tzedec Congregation's adult education committee is reinstituting its scholar-in-residence program by bringing Dr. **Nahum M. Sarna** of Brandeis University to the synagogue for one week starting this Friday, May 9. During his residency, the world-renowned Bible scholar will teach two different courses – The Book of Amos and The Book of Psalms – as well as present several other seminars and talks. His Shabbat schedule starts with the Oneg Shabbat Friday evening (God and Man in Mutual Confrontation) and continues on Saturday with the morning sermon (Introduction to Prophecy), the study luncheon (Introduction to Psalms) and the Shabbat shiur (Pirkey Avot Chapter Five and the Biblical Connection).

SPECIAL ONEG SHABBATS

Beth Torah Congregation and the North York Community Hebrew School celebrate the chai year of existence of both organizations at a special family Oneg Shabbat this Friday, the 9th, at 8 p.m. at the synagogue, 47 Glenbrooke Ave. Program includes a discussion on the relationship between numbers and their Jewish significance by **Rabbi Solomon Domb**.

Also on May 9, B'nai B'rith Toronto Lodge has arranged an Oneg Shabbat at Holy Blossom Temple in connection with its diamond jubilee celebration.

ANALYSIS OF MIDDLE EAST

Nickolas Stethem of the Canadian Centre for Strategic Analysis and a member of the strategic analysis group has recently returned from interviews with **Prime Minister Menachem Begin** and other top leaders in the Middle East, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Iran. He will be giving an up-to-the-moment analysis of the "Strategy in the Middle East" at a meeting of the Israel Medical Association of Canada this Sunday, the 11th, at 8.15 p.m. at the Zionist Centre, 788 Marlee Ave.

THE ART SCENE

A New York cultural art tour set for June 6-9 is being offered by the Koffler Gallery in conjunction with Kuoni Travel and American Airlines. Highlights cover the **Pablo Picasso** retrospective at the Museum of Modern Art and the Bronze Age of China exhibit at the Metropolitan Museum, plus a ticket to the ballet at the Lincoln Centre. For information, contact Koffler Gallery director Jane Mahut at 636-1880.

The Young Creators Exhibition, featuring art works of some 500 North York elementary school students, is on display at the North York Civic Centre, 5100 Yonge St., and the North York Board of Education administration centre, 5050 Yonge, through to May 16. The exhibit includes original murals, paintings, mobiles, sculptures, drawings and weavings by pupils in kindergarten through grade six. Viewing hours are 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. weekdays.

An exhibition of paintings on silk by **Myra Lowenthal** opens today (May 8) for a two-week run at the McDowell Gallery, 2600 Yonge St.

JEWISH FESTIVAL

Forest Hill library's second annual Jewish Festival is on May 4-10 at the library at 700 Eglinton Ave. W. Programs so far have listed a talk by **Alan Borovoy** (May 5), a cooking demonstration by **Sandra Temes** (May 6) and folksinger **Bat-Sheva Paul** and humorist **Simon Rakoff** (May 7), but you still may be able to catch author **Adele Wiseman** this afternoon (May 8) at 2, and the puppet show for youngsters, "Three Wishes" by **I.B. Singer** on Saturday, the 10th, at 10.30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

YOUTH ALIYAH EVENT

Columnist-author-TV interviewer **Barbara Amiel** is guest speaker at the Toronto Hadassah-WIZO Friends of Youth Aliyah luncheon on Monday, the 12th, at 12.30 at Sutton Place Hotel. RSVP by calling 789-4373.

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

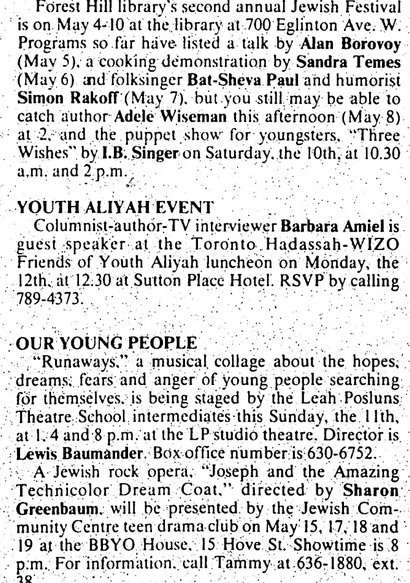
"Runaways," a musical collage about the hopes, dreams, fears and anger of young people searching for themselves, is being staged by the Leah Posluns Theatre School intermediates this Sunday, the 11th, at 1, 4 and 8 p.m. at the LP studio theatre. Director is **Lewis Baumander**. Box office number is 630-6752.

A Jewish rock opera, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat," directed by **Sharon Greenbaum**, will be presented by the Jewish Community Centre teen drama club on May 15, 17, 18 and 19 at the BBYO House, 15 Hove St. Showtime is 8 p.m. For information, call Tammy at 636-1880, ext. 38.

And don't forget the puppet show "Three Wishes" at the Forest Hill public library on Saturday, the 10th.

WITH SAM LEVENSON

Representing Canada at B'nai B'rith's Commission on Community Services in Washington recently, **Adi Kolber** and **Montague Raisman** a Toronto had a chance to pose for a picture with American humorist and folklorist **Sam Levenson** during ceremonies honoring the well-known entertainer for his "outstanding contributions to community service, citizenship and humanitarianism."



Abi Kolber and Montagur Raisman [standing left to right] with Sam Levenson.

HELP FIGHT MS

Carnation Day is one way to help fight Multiple Sclerosis. On May 8, 9, and 10, the Metropolitan chapter of the Multiple Sclerosis Society of Canada is conducting its annual Carnation Day campaign. Proceeds will help support MS research and patient services. You can help with your donation or as a volunteer. For more information, contact 922-6065.

BAYCREST AUXILIARY

The Baycrest Women's Auxiliary annual closing luncheon meeting on Wednesday, the 14th, marks the beginning of its silver anniversary year celebrations. On the agenda is a report by outgoing president **Lillian Morganthau** and the installation of new president **Leona Finkler** by **Rabbi Herbert Feder**. The rabbi will also address the meeting on the subject of "Volunteers and the Aged." It all starts at 12.30 p.m. at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. A shuttle bus from Baycrest Centre will be available.

ABOUT ALIYAH

The Israel Aliyah Centre and the North American Aliyah Movement are co-sponsoring two meetings this week at the Zionist Centre – On Thursday, May 8, **Lucien Harris** of the World Zionist Organization from Jerusalem will be talking about aliyah in general . . . On Wednesday, the 14th, **Dr. Morty Silverberg** will be giving practical information on making aliyah . . . Both meetings are at 8 p.m.

ENTERTAINING WITH LIQUEURS

A liqueur cooking demonstration with **Tommy Ryan** of the House of Seagram Liqueurs is being arranged by the Ajalon Chapter of Hadassah-WIZO for Tuesday, the 13th, at 8 p.m. at the Zionist Centre. For tickets, contact **Libby Brown** at 487-0127 or **Toby Frankel** at 636-3307.

NOTES FROM OWEN SOUND

A social meeting was held at the Beth Ezekiel Synagogue in Owen Sound last month and members and guests were treated to a showing of slides and display of souvenirs by **Dr. and Mrs. Milne**, taken on their year-long trip around the world. After the showing, the Milnes were thanked by **Ab Gorbet** and presented with a photo book of Israel. And according to the note from **Bruce Ronald**, "like so many other small communities, we lack in numbers, but we do manage to keep a shul and we have a rabbi (**Rabbi Meir Gottesman**) who comes to us once a week to teach the children. Also, on High Holy Days, we have full services with a full turnout."

SENIORS HAPPENINGS

This week at the Wagman Centre – On Sunday, the 11th, there's the Mother's Day program with Doris Musical Show from 3-4 p.m. . . . The luncheon-of-the-month for mothers and daughters on Tuesday, the 13th, features composer **Srul Glick** in a discussion on "The Creative Process in Composition" . . . The Tuesday evening concert at 7.30 presents singer **Mona Brown** and accompanist **Dorothy Sandler-Glick** . . . Then on Wednesday, the Music Through Films series continues with "The Opera," explanations and excerpts from operas.

A Mother's Day dance is on the boards for the Workmen's Circle Social Club on Tuesday, the 13th, with **George and Sharon Frank** and their orchestra and a full lunch. Guests are welcome. The meeting begins at 12 noon at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. For reservations call **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727. And don't forget, there is no meeting on May 20.

Also on Tuesday, the 13th, Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50 meets at 1.15 p.m. to hear **Marjorie Mintz** discuss "Education for Life."

"In Step With the 80s" is the theme of the ninth annual conference of the Association of Jewish Seniors opening Wednesday, the 14th, at 8 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue with Ontario Lieutenant Governor **Pauline McGibbon** in attendance and the installation of officers by **Wilfred Posluns**, president of the Toronto Jewish Congress. Sessions run on Thursday, the 15th, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Guest speakers are professors **Victor Marshall** of the University of Toronto and **Mary Sue McCarthy** of York University. To register, call 635-2860.

A reminder that the discount booklet put out by the social action group of the Centre for Creative Living is available at the centre. For information, call **Ida Lipson** at 638-7170 or the centre at 630-3200.

Beth Sholom Seniors celebrate Mother's Day on Tuesday, the 13th, at 7.30 p.m. with guest artist **Edith Truelove** . . . On Friday morning, the Rosh Chodesh service is at 9, with breakfast following. Guest rabbi will be **Zigmund Wolenstein**.

ANTIQUE SALE

The Goodwill ladies auxiliary silver anniversary antique sale on Wednesday, the 14th, runs from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Leaside Memorial Gardens, 1073 Millwood Rd.

FOR SINGLES

On Sunday, the 11th, the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Young Adults group (19-25) is having a brunch at 11 a.m. at the synagogue, followed by a baseball game in Wilmington Park.

Spring into Sparkles for the Let's Get Acquainted dance on Tuesday, the 13th, from 8 p.m. to 3 a.m. at Sparkles disco in the CN Tower. You might even win the door prize – dinner for two at the Top of Toronto restaurant.

Pla-Mates Cleveland Jewish Singles, ages 35 and over, are holding their annual Memorial Day weekend May 23-26. For information, write Pla-Mates, 4106 Bayard Rd., South Euclid, Ohio, 44121.

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After a successful run at Toronto's Cineplex, the Joseph Green classic series of Yiddish films is now available for booking (in 16 mm) through Pan-Canadian Film Distributors. Made in Poland just prior to World War II, these tales of Jewish life are both entertainment and historical documents of a culture and way of life that are no more. Anyone interested can call 960-8900.

COLLECTING JEWISH HUMOR

Would you like to see your favorite Jewish joke or cartoon in print? **William Novak** and **Moshe Waldoks** of Boston are inviting submissions of favorite jokes, cartoons, anecdotes and what-not from Jewish humor fans all across North America for a major new collection of Jewish humor to be published next year by Harper and Row. Write them at 17 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass., 02116.

LEARNING SURVEY

Earl Berger Ltd., social planning consultant, is conducting a survey among parents of learning disabled children regarding the need for recreational and other developmental programs for their children. The consultants are specially interested in the need for such programs in northeast North York. Interested parents may call **Leslie Pearl** at 863-6362.

ON TV AND RADIO

This is a double-header week for **Ethel Lawton**. The Toronto poet-actress appears on both TV and radio all within four days. She can be seen as host of the half-hour TV show "Expressions in Poetry" (four Canadian poets reading their own work) originally taped for Keeble-York cable last month and now repeating on Roger cable, Channel 10, Wednesday, May 7, at 8.30 p.m. and again on Friday, the 9th, at 7.30. As for radio, she is interviewed about her poetry and film career by **Elwood Glover** for a six-minute spot on his "The News in Dimension" program airing this Sunday, the 11th, on CKO 99.1 FM from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

TO GET HONORARY DEGREE

Rabbi Israel Silverman

Rabbi Israel Silverman, spiritual leader of Hamilton's Beth Jacob Synagogue for the past 15 years, will receive the degree of doctor of divinity, honoris causa, at a special academic convocation of the Jewish theological Seminary of America to be held during the rabbinical assembly convention at the Concord Hotel, Wednesday, the 14th. He is one of the 50 rabbis who will receive honorary degrees on this occasion for "distinguished service to the Seminary and outstanding leadership in their communities." Seminary chancellor **Gershon D. Cohen** will confer the degrees.

Prior to coming to Hamilton, Ralph Silverman served with Rockaway Park Hebrew Congregation, Temple Beth Zion in Brookline, Mass, and as registrar of the graduate rabbinical school of the seminary.

ELECTIONS TO BOARDS

At the first annual meeting of Community Outreach in Education (CORE) Foundation, lawyer **Ken Katzman**, who is serving his second year as president, consultant **Ben Schneider** and North York Board of Education trustee **Martin Park** were elected to the CORE board of directors. CORE's main job is to find ways of funding projects submitted by the North York Board of Education and the community at large which would otherwise be impossible and yet are necessary to meet the needs of the residents of North York.

Dr. Marvin Nash was re-elected to the board of directors of the Ontario Association of Optometrists at its recent annual meeting in Toronto. In addition to his activities with the association, Dr. Nash is vice-president of the Jewish Camp Council and Ontario director of the Canadian Amateur Radio Foundation.

TO STUDY IN ISRAEL

York University has awarded scholarships to three of its students to study at Hebrew University in Jerusalem for one year. They are **Dennis Chamberlain** from Timmins, who will have his tuition and lodging expenses covered by the scholarship and **Laura Bergman** and **Naomi Jacobs**, both of Hamilton, who will each receive a $2,000 scholarship named in honor of the late Leonard Wolinsky.

The York University-Hebrew University Exchange program began formally three years ago and during this past academic year had 12 students (three on scholarships) studying in Jerusalem. Scholarship winners are chosen for their interest in Judaic studies and for their academic achievement.

Torontonian **Michael Rumack**, 24, a chemical engineering graduate from the University of Waterloo, received a Lady Davis fellowship to do his Masters program at the Technion in Haifa. He leaves this summer to brush up on his Hebrew (he was in the first class to graduate from the Bialik Hebrew Day School) before checking in at Haifa. And more good news for Michael – he has just become engaged to **Debbie Kerman** who is also going to Israel to study Hebrew and teach English.

Brian Chapnick, **Joel Fields**, **David Gershon** and **Laura Wolfson** are the Holy Blossom Temple scholarship recipients for six months of study in Israel on the Eisendrath International Exchange program sponsored by the National Federation of Temple Youth. Their program commences in July when students from North America and Europe meet in Israel for an intensive two months ulpan study course in Hebrew. Then in September students join Israeli families and attend Israeli high schools in Haifa, Tel Aviv and Jerusalem.

RNA DAY AT BRANSON

Metro Chairman **Paul Godfrey** has proclaimed May 13 as Register Nursing Assistant Day in Metro Toronto. North York Branson Hospital will honor its 99 RNAs by giving them a huge cake. Some of the equipment donated by the RNA Association will be displayed in the hospital that day. **Anne O'Brian**, president of the hospital's RNA Association and **Jean Ballantyne**, clinical co-ordinator and association sponsor will be interviewed on Willowdowns cable Channel 10 this evening (May 8) at 7.30.

TUTOR REFUGEES

Operation Lifeline's English language tutoring program urgently needs volunteers to teach Indo-Chinese refugees. Volunteers will visit refugees in their homes on a weekly basis. Training workshop and materials will be provided. Call **Judy Gardos** at 965-0744.

YOUTH LEADERS NEEDED

Beth Tzedec youth department is looking for dynamic and creative leaders for various areas of the department for the 1980-81 academic year. Interested applicants should call **Howard Black** at 787-0381.

ANNE FRANK ON TV

"The Diary of Anne Frank" will be brought to television in a two-hour special from 20th Century Fox next season. **Melissa Gilbert** – of Little House on the Prairie TV series – will star in the leading role as the Jewish girl hiding from the Nazis in a Dutch home during World War II. Co-starring will be **Maximilian Schell**, **Joan Plowright** and **James Coco**.

Travel fund

TORONTO —

The travel industry compensation fund recently paid out more that $106,000 to consumers, travel agents and wholesalers who had paid for travel services but failed to receive them, said Frank Drea, Ontario minister of consumer and commercial relations.

The board of trustees, which administer the fund, approved 76 consumer claims and 70 wholesaler and travel agent claims.

"Since the fund was set up in 1975 more that $1 million has been dispersed," said Drea, whose ministry regulates the travel industry in Ontario. "There is still more than $1.8 million in the fund which means existing travel agents and wholesalers will not be required to make their semi-annual payment this June."

Newly registered agents will still be required to make an initial payment of $1,000 to be in good standing with the fund.

Kosher in Cairo

JERUSALEM [ZINS]—

A fully kosher hotel will open in Cairo during May, the general manager of Knitted Skullcap Tours, Eli Blau, said last week.

Knitted Scullcap Tours and International Travel Agency have leased the Vendome Hotel in Giza, Cairo, and turned it into a top-class kosher hotel which will employ a full-time religious cook, rabbi and kashrut supervisor from Israel, Blau said.

All meat served at the hotel will be supervised by the Glatt laboratories in the U.S. to ensure the highest level of kastrut, he said. Meat as well as most milk products will be imported from Israel, Blau said.

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Organizations and People

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Lawrence Shenkman

The community turned out in full force last week when **DAN PATTIR** was in town. Dan is **PRIME MINISTER BEGIN'S** advisor on Press and Public Affairs and has participated in all the peace agreement negotiations with Presidents **SADAT** and **CARTER**. As a matter of fact, he flew here from Washington where he was involved in the latest round of talks. The Sponsor Luncheon, tendered by the Women's Division for $1,500 and over purchasers, was graciously hosted by **HELEN FRIEDMAN** and well-attended by 80 women who were eager to hear the latest inside story on the Middle East. The afternoon was a huge success in terms of Bond sales. One purchase, in particular, which set a shining example, was a $1,500 investment made by a non-Jewish friend of the hostess. Just one of those moments that provide a great source of gratification.

Chairman **SEYMOUR SCHWARTZ** and **STAN BUDD** told me that the New Leadership Division was so well attended that hosts **GERALD** and **ELAINE YAFFE** were concerned there would not be enough hors d'oeuvres to go around. There were! Bond sales were impressively high, including several new purchases. That's the name of the game of New Leadership.

I attended the Prime Minister's Reception for $25,000 and over purchasers held in the pool area of **SUSAN** and **GEORGE COHON'S** home and co-hosted by **SHIRLEY** and **EPH DIAMOND**. Some of the guests who came to hear Dan Pattir are shown in the photo below. Bond purchases were extremely generous, and together with the previous two receptions added up to one rewarding day's tribute to Israel.

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All modesty aside, community leaders of the Israel Bond Organization all over Canada look to Toronto for guidance. **RABBI HENRY HOSCHANDER,** Associate Chairman, Canadian Rabbinic Cabinet, travelled west to Vancouver, Edmonton, Winnipeg and Calgary, March 3-13 for the Rabbinic Cavalcade. Taking the same route, to revitalize involvement in the Women's Divisions in Western Canada, **RUHAMA GOLDSTEIN,** National Associate Chairman of the Women's Division, took time away from her family April 14-17 and met with literally dozens of women to stimulate Bond activity. Ruhama reports that they are eager to be involved in helping to strengthen Israel's economy.

The Toronto Women's Division has been very busy. Our R & R message **"REINVEST MATURED BONDS"** is being circulated all over the city by Redemption and Reinvestment Chairman **REGGIE LEVENSTADT** and **YETTA RANDALL**. Along with their telephone committee, they have been urging Bond holders to reinvest matured Bonds. Their hard work has paid off. For the 12 month period ending April, 1980, $722,000 has been reinvested in Israel's economy. Congratulations, women!

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HARRIET MORTON, Career Women's Chairman tells me that plans are moving ahead rapidly for an exciting 1980 campaign. The executive comprises a representative from each occupation in the arts, sciences, education and commerce and will meet on Monday, May 12th at 7:30 p.m. in the Bond Office Boardroom at which time the dynamic **SUSAN WEIKERS** is the featured guest speaker. Harriet will keep us posted on future activities.

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A steady stream of B'nai B'rith Bond activities are already in the planning for 1980. Lodge Presidents and Bond Chairmen wishing to get a start on organizing their Bond program are invited to call Michael Freid at 789-3351.

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HARRY WEINSTOCK, Chairman of the newly formed Executive Council of Organizations and Landsmanshaften, tells me that his members have already struck some success in their efforts to attract to the Bond family those organizations that have never before conducted a Bond campaign. The Council's goal is to double the functions and double the Bond sales in 1980. Council members include **HYMAN COOPER, MAX COOPER, HARRY FERENS, MORRIS LAZEBNIK, ABE ZUKERMAN, SAUL MARMUREK, ALEX OGDEN, HARRY SILVERSTEIN, HOWARD STONE** and **LOUIS WASSER.** Coordinator is **LAZAR A. LIFSCHITZ.**

Best wishes go to the Pride of Israel sick Benefit Society and President **SOL ATKIN** as they celebrate their 75th Anniversary and honour all Past Presidents at the Jubilee Banquet June 1st. Temple Chairman **SAM GILBERT** and Bond Chairman **NAT SKOLNIK** report that the festivities will continue at their annual Israel Bond Dinner on September 2nd.

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The kick-off meeting of the Synagogue Council has been called for Monday, May 26th at the Bond Office.

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YITZCHAK RAGER, Administrative Assistant to Israel's Minister of Finance and currently Vice-President of worldwide Israel Bonds, flew to Toronto for a day of top-level meetings with community leaders. I attended the evening reception hosted by **ESTHER SARICK** and attended by **LEONA FINKLER, LOUISE CORNBLUM, KURT ROTHSCHILD, BEN HIMEL, ALEX EISEN, DAVID KOSOY,** and **RUHAMA GOLDSTEIN.**

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ALBERT and **PAUL REICHMANN** are hosting a reception in the Boardroom at their offices on Thursday, May 15th for special guest **SIMCHA DINITZ,** formerly Israel's Ambassador to the United States.

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The National Board of Directors, Canada-Israel Securities Ltd. (State of Israel Bonds) are meeting in Montreal on Monday, May 26th. Chairman of the Board **CHARLES BRONFMAN** invited Board members **GEORGE COHON, JEFF COHEN, ALEX EISEN, BARNEY DALES, RUHAMA GOLDSTEIN, AL GREEN, HERB GREEN, BEN HIMEL, DAVID KOSOY, AL LATNER,** and **SHEILAH SILVERBERG.**

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A visit to the dentist cost $31.25, or two days take-home pay; a jar of instant coffee costs $12.75 and a gallon of gas $2.55. This understandably accounts for many people with bad teeth and the increasing number of tea-totalers and cyclists.

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The Prime Minister's Reception at the Cohon residence was attended by 70 community leaders including [seated L-R] BEN HIMEL, ZUZICK BURSTEIN, CHARLES GOLDLUST, HARRIET MORTON; Standing L-R are JACK SCHWARTZ, SUSAN and GEORGE COHON, hosts; JEAN TANENBAUM, DAN PATTIR, guest speaker; ERIC EXTON and ALEX EISEN.

Esther Cowan [left] and Chahine Levine admire some of the items to be put on the block at the upcoming ORT celebrity auction. [Leo Hausman photo]

ORT celebrity auction takes place May 15

TORONTO —

ORT's celebrity auction and treasure sale takes place on May 15 at the Four Seasons Hotel.

The "treasure items," valued at up to $100, will be on sale from noon to 5 p.m. The auction commences at 7 p.m.

The auction, which includes Persian rugs, antiques, jewelry, silver, original art, furs and gourmet dinners, will be conducted by Richard Browne, of Phillips Ward-Price.

Included among the many items to be auctioned will be a gold-plated taxi meter donated by North York Mayor Mel Lastman; the pointe slippers worn by Karen Kain of the National Ballet; an antique ormolu and marble urn donated by Marvelle and Murray Koffler and many other valuables.

Also up for action will be letters from famous people to the late Cantor Bela Herskovits, who rubbed shoulders with such diverse personalities as John F. Kennedy, Eleanor Roosevelt, Israel president Yitzhak Ben Zvi, Eddie Cantor and Cecil B. DeMille.

ORT acquistion chairman is Ester Cowan and celebrity auction chairman is Chahine Levine. Edie Creed is honorary chairman and Marilyn Lastman is hospitality chairman.

We are in danger of losing children to society's current cults: rabbi

By DANIEL ACKS

TORONTO —

Jewish children are in the forefront of many of society's current cults and we are in danger of losing them completely, Rabbi David Shochet, spiritual leader of Toronto's Lubavitch congregation, told a seminar held recently at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education.

Shochet, one of several speakers at The Second Encounter, sponsored by the Toronto Jewish Congress, stated that "cults are a barometer to danger and a symptom of weakness. When vultures begin to gather, they are indicative of a dying person."

Shochet advised the group that Jewish children are especially susceptible to the lure of cults since those children are inherently idealistic, "Their soul is thirsting and they need spiritual food," said Shochet. "They are continually looking for values in society, seeking satisfaction outside the norm and general fulfilment in life. Cults sell idealism."

The rabbi acknowledged that cults are "not a new problem," having confronted Jews since biblical times although assuming different forms and goals. "Christianity was a Jewish cult turned into a religion," stated Shochet.

According to Shochet, cult missionaries appeal to the Jewish youth to become "more religious" through their religion and thereby distort the ideal of Judiasm. They are repeatedly told that since they are not suitably religious, they are doomed and salvation lies only in accepting something that will save them.

The Hare Krishna is the most difficult group to rescue a child from because of its strict discipline. A child seeking such protective rigidity cannot find it in daily Jewish life and will consequently embrace a group that does provide a regimented lifestyle, he said.

Very often, continued Shochet, cults are successful in taking children off drugs. Consequently, the child's involvement is condoned by the parents since they feel the cult is accomplishing some good with their child.

Shochet warned that such parental attitudes are a major factor contributing to the menace of assimilation among Jewish youth today. He emphasized the need for a "proper Jewish education encompassing a belief and knowledge in God and a purpose in our life.

"It is vital," stated Shochet, "that Torah be taught back to its traditional roots. The children must become aware that Judiasm is something you live every day. They must be taught to see the Hand of God in all."

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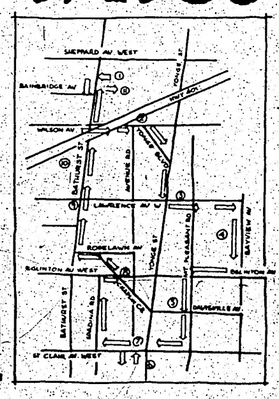

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

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600 celebrate founding of Associated Hebrew Schools

By Daniel Acks

TORONTO —

Over 600 alumni and their families turned out recently to celebrate the Associated Hebrew Schools' first reunion since its founding almost 70 years ago on Simcoe St.

With a current population of 2,500 students, the Associated has become the largest Jewish day school in the world outside of Israel.

Beneath a banner with a quotation from Isaiah - Enlarge The Site of Thy Tent, Spread Out Right and Left - were photographs depicting nearly seven decades of Associated history. Jacob Burke, an Associated principal, told the gathering that the "strategy of survival taught by our forefathers" was epitomized by the longevity and optimistic future of the Jewish day school.

Since its inception in 1907, Associated has embraced the klal Yisroel philosophy which "recognized the potential contribution of all Jews regardless of their Orthodox, Conservative or Reform appellation." According to Samuel Shainhouse, immediate past president, the day school "strives to produce a well-rounded, knowledgeable Jewish person who will understand and appreciate religious values and have the desire to lead a rich Jewish life."

Ziskind Socol, at age 93, is Associated's oldest surviving teacher and can recall living with his students in 1917 when he opened the first private Jewish school prior to joining the staff of the Brunswick Ave. Talmud Torah in 1947. Socol began teaching at the Associated in the early 50s, and upon retiring in 1966 was given a plaque in commemoration of "teacher of more than two generations."

"Children are children," commented Socol who was at the reunion. "However, the Associated was always different from other schools I taught at. The students maintained an intensity of commitment, a willingness to learn that was indeed rare and very refreshing."

Mrs. Blanche Shulman, who graduated from Associated in 1920, is one of the school's eldest alumnus. She still has fond memories of the many festivals that took place at the Simcoe St. Talmud Torah where she attended.

"On Purim, each child was always provided with a grab bag full of imported Israeli sweets and fruits. They always seemed so strange and exotic to us," she recalled.

Mrs. Shulman still maintains an emotional kinship for the Associated and observes with quiet reflection the myriad photos lining the auditorium walls depicting classroom and playground activites.

"The Associated does teach the children well," she said. "However, there seems to be more respect paid the children today."

When asked how it felt to be back after 60 years, Mrs. Shulman answered: "Its nice. Now, if I could only meet someonel once knew."

Retired Associated teacher Ziskind Socol receives affectionate tributes from former students. Left to right are: Irving Goodman, Murray Miskin, Socol, and Howard Langer. [Ben Lechtman photo]

Aliza Begin sees Reena group during two-week visit to Israel

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO—

Highlight of a recent Reena-led group tour to Israel for two weeks was a Friday morning visit with Aliza Begin, wife of Israel Prime Minister Menachem Begin, according to tour participants.

Mrs. Begin — an honorary president of Akim, the parents' organization for mentally handicapped people in Israel - welcomed into her home Rabbi Joseph Kelman from Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue and his group which included 10 mentally handicapped men and women.

"It was the thrill of the trip to meet Mrs. Begin," said member of the tour, Howard Rice, expressing a feeling which was echoed by the others. Rabbi Kelman, a founding father of Reena -- a Toronto association providing Jewish residential housing for the mentally handicapped -- described Mrs. Begin as a "wonderfully gracious lady who took time to speak to everyone personally."

"She declared that next year in Israel would be 'the year of the handicapped,'" said Kelman. Among the activities she said were planned next year in Israel, he added, was a program to encourage books written for handicapped about the handicapped.

Rabbi Kelman mentioned that Mrs. Begin voiced her despair of the fact that, to her knowledge, there had never been a book written where the hero was a handicapped person.

Rabbi Kelman's recent trip to Israel was the second since July 1977 when he led the first trip to Israel ever planned for the mentally handicapped.

"The handicapped have the same dreams and aspirations everyone else has. They just don't have access to all the activities and programs that the rest of us take for granted," commented Rabbi Kelman.

"It is part of my whole philosophy to give them the same oportunities everyone else has," he said, explaining the motivation for the trip.

The land tour, which offered a standard program including visits to all the key cities and sights of Israel, went without any hitches, according to Rabbi Kelman who was accompanied by his wife, Ruth, son, Jay, 19, and Reena program director Laurie Hoffman.

On the second night of the trip, Howard Rice recalled the happy birthday party held for him in a Tel Aviv restaurant as "one of the happiest times of my life.

"It was worth everything to go. I would do it all over again," said Howard who told The CJN he was able to pay the full fare of $1,650 by working extra hours at his job as a dishwasher in a Yorkdale restaurant.

"I usually go to Miami in the spring with my parents; but the opportunity to see Israel this past March was too great to miss. I am planning to go back," he said.

Equally enthusiastic, Victoria Ezrin, a machine operator who lives in her own apartment, described her feelings of "belonging" when she arrived in Israel.

"I felt that I've seen my people and heard our language. There was a million things I loved. I particularly remember Jerusalem ... the first time I saw the warm, brown desert ... and the olive trees on the kibbutz we visited."

A former member of Reena's Orchard View group home, she also paid for the trip from wages earned and expressed a desire to return.

It was memories of munching pizzas and falafels on Dizengoff St. in Tel Aviv, and Shabbat at the Plaza Hotel in Jerusalem which came back to Norman Diamond when asked by the CJN to recollect his trip.

"Israel just amazed me," he said. "It's such a different world from what we have here. I find that I really watch TV news events on Israel a lot more closely. Everytime a picture on Israel appears, I try to see if I can identify it."

In preparation for the trip, Rabbi Kelman set up a six-week course at Seneca College which included talks on history, current events, sights and scenes of Israel, travel orientation, a visit to the airport, and even a seminar on how to manage money.

REENA VISIT

Ruth Kelman, Aliza Begin, Rabbi Joseph Kelman and son Jay pause for a photo break during recent trip to Israel.

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By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Behar Bechokotai

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The brilliant Nodah b' Yehudah was once visited by two men who were collecting charity to help a formerly wealthy man. "How much do you need?" the rabbi asked. When they told him the large sum, the rabbi reached into his private funds and gave them the whole amount – less a few dollars.

The men could not contain their curiosity: "Rabbi, we are astonished at your great generosity. But if you are giving such a great sum, why didn't you give us the last few dollars also?"

Answered the rabbi: "The mishneh in Avot says that he who gives charity, but doesn't want others to give also, is considered selfish. I want to leave room for others to partake in the mitzvah . . ."

The Jews couldn't receive the Torah at Sinai until they were joined as one – k'ish echad, b'lev echad – one man, one heart. Why? But there were 600,000 Jews, and there are 600,000 letters in the Torah. Just as if a Torah is separated into pieces it is not kosher, so also when the Jewish people are rent into parties and movements and philosophies – it is also not kosher.

We must change the national pastime of arguing among ourselves. G-d will forgive us if we are too forgiving of each other. But rivalry and dissension can only twist everything.

Said Reb Chaim Volozhiner: "The mishneh in Avot gives an example of an argument "for the sake of Heaven" as the constant argument between Hillel and Shammai, the greatest sages of their generation. Only a Hillel and Shammai had a right to allow themselves to argue, because they knew their motives were pure. But people who are smaller – how can they be sure of their motives?"

The Talmud contrasts two types of controversies. One was the schools of Hillel and Shammai, which debated fine points of law. The other was the bitter band of Korach and his colleagues, who challenged Moses' rule. What was the difference between them? After Hillel and Shammai argued vigorously, they joined together for a vote, and each bowed to the majority. Their purpose was holy. They were humble.

Korach and his band of 150 confronted the whole camp of 600,000 Jews, and still would not yield the argument. They fought to the bitter end.

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Nothing good comes of arguing. And if there is lashon horah – gossip – mixed in also, it makes it worse.

When the Baal Shem Tov founded his chassidic movement, there were great scholars in Brod who opposed him passionately. The fiercest opponent was Reb Chaim Sanzer. Once on Succo th Reb Chaim was sitting in his succah denouncing the Bal Shem Tov. Later, he met the Baal Shem Tov.

How does a scholar like you talk lashon horah even in the succah?" challenged the Baal Shem Tov. "And how do you know what I said?" challenged Reb Chaim. "The only ones who were there were my family and close friends."

"An angel told me," answered the Baal Shem. "What!" demanded Reb Chaim, "an angel who talks lashon horah told you what I said?"

Answered the Baal Shem: "The Mishneh teaches that whenever a person sins, an angel is created from the sin. The angel of your gossip told me what you said."

It doesn't pay to gossip or fight with each other. We need good angels on our side – there are enough of the others already.

Shabbat Shalom.

At Pioneer Women-Na'amat's annual adopt-a-child dinner, Mollie Rothman, Toronto president, presents the Sylvia Mirsky award to Sara Himelson, who was responsible for the spiritual adoption of 27 children in the past year.

ORT holding biennial convention in Israel

TORONTO —

Women's Canadian ORT will hold its biennial convention in Israel from May 28 to June 9 to celebrate ORT's 100th anniversary of service to world Jewry.

About 100 members of Women's Canadian ORT are expected to come from major cities all across Canada. The tour will include visits to several of ORT's 92 schools, specifically in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Holon, Ashkelon and Netanya.

In addition, members of the tour will join the World ORT Union for its official opening at Binyanei Haouma in Jerusalem, and at Yad Eliyahu Sports Stadium in Ramat Gan for a sports event which will include thousands of ORT students from all over Israel.

Participants in the convention will also be meeting with Canadian ambassador to Israel, Joseph Stanford, and will hear addresses by Chaim Herzog, chairman of the executive committee of World ORT Union, and Devorah Tomer, president of Women's Israel ORT as well as other dignitaries and Israeli personalities.

There will be visits to key sites including Yad Vashem and the Museum of the Diaspora.

While in Israel, Women's Canadian ORT will present ORT Israel with a special donation to further ORT's work in Israel.

Led by Canadian national president Dorothy Shoichet and convention chairman Harriet Morton, the convention will be headquartered in Tel Aviv and then move north to Caesaria.

The convention will culminate with festivities presenting awards of merit and a torchlight ceremony honoring members of a new donorship category called "Builders of the Dream."

For further information about the convention, call Harriet Morton at 787-0339 or 445-5618.

16 women receiving Sylvia Mirsky Award

TORONTO —

The coveted Sylvia Mirsky Award, presented annually by Pioneer Women — Na'amat, Toronto Council, was won by 16 women this year.

Longtime Pioneer workers Sara Himelson and Selma Jelinek were at the top of the list — Mrs. Himelson raising enough money to "spiritually" adopt 27 children, and Mrs. Jelinek, 20 children. Costs of adoption for each child living in Pioneer Women's children's homes in Israel is $330.

Toronto president Mollie Rothman recently told about 300 in attendance at annual Adopt-a-Child dinner held at the Beth Tzedec that over 500 children had been adopted by Toronto Council.

Guest speaker at the dinner, Al Waxman, star of CBC-TV's King of Kensington, was named "Spiritual Father of the Year." Waxman, who had made a radio commercial for Pioneer Women and given poetry readings, was described as a man who has given "generously of his time and energies to the cause of children." Waxman's wife, Sara, is a member of Pioneer Women.

Winners of the Sylvia Mirsky award have each raised sufficient money to provide care for at least five or more children in Pioneer's children homes.

Established 20 years ago in memory of the founder of the adopt-a-child program, the Sylvia Mirsky award consists of a gold pin depicting the Pioneer Women-Na'Amat logo. Diamond chips are added for those who receive the award more than once.

Other winners of the Sylvia Mirsky award are: Freda Harrison, Etty Danzig, Florence Lazar, Pearl Mekler, Malka Mirsky, Rose Wolfe, Freda Tuechler, Mollie Rothman, Faigel Barkin, Min Eisen, Esther Cohen, Edith Cornblum, Shirley Karbin, Rose Silver and Dora Waltman.

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Charles Lindbergh regretted label of anti-semite

NEW YORK (ZINS) —

Charles A. Lindbergh, the idol for U.S. aviation, whose name became synonymous with isolationism on the eve of World War II, in later life regretted that he was perceived as being anti-semitic, according to his wife.

He was appalled when he saw the survivors of a concentration camp in Germany after the war. And as early as 1941, a few weeks before Pearl Harbor, he and his wife discussed and approved the idea of an independent homeland for the Jewish people similar to what would eventually become the state of Israel.

Points emerge in "War Within and Without," the diaries and letters of Anne Morrow Lindbergh, 1939-1944, and in an interview with the author, whose husband died in 1974.

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Shown are members of Canadian Friends of Tel Aviv University planning second North American conference, to be held Oct. 9 to 12 in Toronto. Left to right are Irving Waltman, Jack Rose, Roz Halbert, Dr. Gerald Halbert, conference chairman, Stanley Bogan, national president, American Friends of the Hebrew University, Dr. Ralph Halbert, national president, Canadian Friends, Clara Balinsky, Michael Koskie, Kenneth Stein, New York.

School reunions the rage this year

By VIVIEN SHARON

TORONTO — High school reunion fever abounds in Toronto as nostalgia becomes the "in thing" of the 80s.

Eight high schools have planned large-scale reunions for former students and teachers this year, and word is out that some already held have been "hugh successes."

Out of this melange, three public high schools come to mind: Harbord Collegiate Institute, Bathurst Heights Secondary School and Sir Sandford Fleming Secondary School, all notable for their disproportionate number of Jewish students.

Harbord Collegiate, which will be celebrating its 70th anniversary reunion Oct. 25, hopes to attract 3,000 former students and staff, said Harbord Club project chairman, Willie Zimmerman. The get-together will be held on the school premises, which was recently renovated at a cost of $8 million.

"Harbord has always been recognized as one of the top schools scholastically in the province," said Zimmerman, who graduated with the Class of 33 and is comptroller of Maple Leaf Press. "It's a school with enormous vitality, high standards and quality staff."

Many former students agree. Ask Jack Cole, president of Coles Book Stores, Eleanor Sniderman, president of Aquitaine Records, Rabbi Benjamin Friedberg of Beth Tzedec Congregation, or John Weinzweig, world renowned composer.

Jack Cole, who says he was "an above-average student" remembers success as being an expectation and motivation. Eleanor Sniderman recalls a school with discipline, devotion and determination in academics, arts, music and sports. Rabbi Friedberg, who bubbled over when talking about his Harbord days, recalls intellectual ferment and "a lot of chutzpah too." John Weinzweig remembers it as the best school for music in the country.

Harbord was once considered the Jewish high school to go to. In the 20s, it was 50% Jewish; in the 30s, 40s, and 50s, it was 90% Jewish; in the 60s and 70s, Jewish numbers dissipated, until today, three Jewish students remain. It is now 47%.

Chinese, 20% Italian, 20% Portuguese and 13½% representing 17 other ethnic groups.

Among its alumni are such Jewish personalities as: Louis Rasminsky, former governor of the Bank of Canada; TV comedians Johnny Wayne and Frank Shuster; conductor Victor Feldbrill; political commentator Stephen Lewis; municipal politician Esther Shiner; actress Toby Robbins; Morley Safer of CBS' 60 Minutes; former Ontario cabinet minister Allan Grossman and criminal lawyer Joseph B. Pomerant, Q.C.

For information on the reunion phone Willie or Gerry Zimmerman at 783-3353 or Peggy Guest at 781-3640.

Bathurst Heights plans to have an exciting 30th anniversary reunion with close to 5,000 in attendance, to be held May 10 at Scarborough College, said school alumni chairman Mike Seiden. "We've even contacted the Guinness Book of Records to see if this will be the biggest reunion ever."

The Downsview resident said the idea germinated last fall among former students. "Everyone seemed curious to know who lost weight, who gained weight, who married whom and what happened to the school revolutionairies," said the 26-year-old accountant who graduated with the Class of 72.

Bathurst Heights will be having a bar mitzvah style reunion, says Seiden, with photography, catering and refreshments all arranged by Jewish alumni. "Yuk Yuk comedian Marla Lukofsky (Class of 76) will be noselining and The Stingers (80% Jewish band) will be headlining." Metro chairman Paul Godfrey, from the Class of 58, has been invited to speak at the bash.

Other Jewish personalities who have attended Bathurst include: TV actor and lawyer Hart Pomerantz; actress Sara Jane Torgov, who appeared in Meatballs and recently won an ACTRA award as the best newcomer on Canadian TV; Barry Greenwald, Cannes Film Festival winner and Pearl Drabinsky, wife of movie producer and lawyer Garth Drabinsky.

Sir Sandford Fleming, which is roughly 75% Jewish, plans to have 2,000 people at its 16th anniversary reunion, to be held June 21 on the school premises, said Fred Howlett, chairman of the reunion committee and head of the school's modern languagues department.

"Since the school has only been in operation since 1964, our oldest graduates are only 34 -- most haven't reached high profile positions yet," he commented.

Carey Salem (Class of 66) a chartered accountant and partner with CA firm Warner, Blackstien and Rose, recalls Grade 13 as being especially difficult. "It was the last year provincial departmental exams for university entrance were mandatory," he said.

For information call 787-4988

Cotler powerfully invokes cause of Soviet Refusenik

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO — Like Banquo's ghost, the presence of Anatoly Scharansky stalked the sanctuary of Beth Tikvah Synagogue last week as Scharansky's legal counsel, human rights lawyer Irwin Cotler, powerfully invoked both the spirit and the cause of the Soviet Refusenik who has been locked away in Soviet prisons for the last three years.

In a passionate speech that drew about 650 people to their feet in a standing ovation, Cotler told his audience that "human rights are not a matter of idle rhetoric . . . but a matter of every day moment . . . and for some, like Scharansky, a matter of life and death."

Cotler, professor of international law at McGill University, headlined the first annual Scharansky Lectureship on Human Rights established by the Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University, the Committee for Soviet Jewry, and the social action committee of the Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

As the first guest speaker for the Scharansky Lectureship, Cotler said he "accepted the honor in the name of, and for the sake of Scharansky, and in the hope that Avital and Anatoly will be here next year to deliver the second Scharansky lecture."

At the same time, Cotler pointed out that Scharansky's three years of imprisonment at Chistopol were now up, and Scharansky was just transferred to Perm to begin 10 years of hard labor. The Perm labor camp, he said, is one of the harshest in the Soviet Union.

Incarcerated since March 1977, when he was seized by the KGB as he left a Moscow apartment, Scharansky was allowed to meet his mother for the first time only recently. The Soviet guard denied the mother permission to hold or kiss her son, Cotler said.

Scharansky and other prisoners of conscience live by the slenderest threads of hope, Cotler told his audience. Only constant communication with the West and renewed efforts on their behalf sustains them in their daily travail.

Cotler said Scharansky has become a symbol of the struggle for human rights, which, he argued, must become an enduring motif of the 1980s — and not just another media event.

"There is a danger," Cotler continued, "that everyone can be famous — for at least 15 minutes, as Andy Warhol claims."

Reviewing the details of his 1979 trip to the Soviet Union, when he was detained and then suddenly, without warning, expelled from the country, Cotler said that Soviet Union activity against Refuseniks and any sympathisers for the cause of the prisoners of conscience has been acelerating since 1977.

"Every single leader of the Refuseniks has been arrested, and the only Soviet attorneys who would attempt to defend dissidents were disbarred, exiled and now living in Washington," he said.

He described his visit to the Moscow synagogue when over 1,000 Jews attended on a Shabbat morning as an "explosive personal experience in which I was overwhelmed by a sense of the indivisibility of the Jewish people." Following the address by an Israeli to his "brothers and sisters in the Soviet Union," Cotler said there was singing and dancing of such frenzy, "the likes of which I have never seen before."

In the face of such daily heroism in the Soviet Union on the part of Jews who want to express their identity as Jews, and those Jews who want to emigrate, Cotler said he was distressed by the "malaise, fatigue and non-involvement" he sensed within the Canadian Jewish community towards the cause of human rights in general, and prisoners of conscience in particular.

"These are difficult days in the history of the Jewish people and for the condition of human rights," he allowed. "But even though we are weary from battle, we cannot become inured to the needs or the struggle."

Citing external factors acting negatively against Jewish peoplehood, he contended that the petrolization of economies has threatened the independence of foreign policy — and silenced any voices of protest which should have been raised against the PLO and non-aligned nations in their indictment of Israel.

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The evening included addresses by Ontario Liberal leader Dr. Stuart Smith, who brought a message from Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau; Ontario minister of industry and tourism Larry Grossman, who spoke on behalf of Premier William Davis; Israel consul-general David Ariel; former Israel anbassador to Canada and now special assistant to the president of Bar-Ilan University, Mordechai Shalev; and Canadian poet Irving Layton who read selections from his recently published **For My Neighbors in Hell** on the subject of the Soviet Jews.

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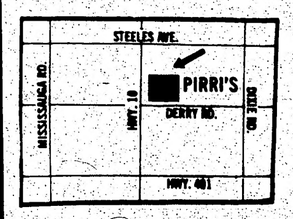

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BIKINI? WHAT'S THAT?

By SHEILA DROPKIN

TORONTO — Do you remember that "teeny, weeny polka dot bikini?" If the people in the swimwear business are correct, it will soon be a collector's item.

Bikinis are losing favor with everybody, except perhaps the girl oglers, and one-piece maillots are taking over the market.

Karen Kwinter, fashion co-ordinator for Fairweather stores, Murray Kates, president of the sales agency which represents Rose Marie Reid swimwear and other sportswear lines and Honey Mahl, co-owner of North York's Shape-Up Fashions all agree that the maillot is sexier and more flattering than the two little strips of material which barely cover the essentials.

Both women gave Danskin the credit for the revolution. Its design of an exercise suit which was so flattering that it could double as a swimsuit and so comfortable that it could be worn to swim the channel was the first major step. Swimwear manufacturers heeded the call and got to work.

A bikini replacement, the maillot, is one of the many swimsuits featured this season at Fairweather.

The newly designed maillot has a high-cut leg and low cut back and comes in all the newest, most vibrant colors, plus black, white and black and white combinations.

In a number of suits, the leg height is adjustable. Both Rose Marie Reid and the French-made Daniel Hechter line featured at Fairweather utilize ties and strings to lower or raise the leg. Danskin has zippers. Several suits also have changeable bodices.

Most suits worn today are made of lycra (a nylon and spandex combination fabric). Rose Marie Reid suits are made of fine Italian lycra, screen-printed in Como.

"Italy has the finest lycra in the world," Kates says. "And Como is world-famous for its hand screened prints."

Many of the Reid suits have matching cover-ups or skirts, several of which could easily double as evening dresses in the world's finest resorts. The prints are co-ordinated to blend in with the suits they're teamed with.

The poor-fitting hard bra cup is also a forgotten factor in the better suits. "With proper design engineering, many women can now wear suits without bras," Kates explained. "And other bras just require a soft bandeau for shaping and uplift."

Kwinter finds that the switch from bikinis to the more comfortable one-piece suit is part of the "practical era" in fashion. "Women are not being dictated to, they want things that are serviceable and can be worn frequently."

Kates also represents the Dotti line of swimwear cover-ups — many of which can be worn as tops for pants and skirts. Practicality again.

Although women may no longer be dictated to by fashion, it seems that fashion is being dictated to by modern lifestyles. Fitness and comfort are in, so the clothes have to suit the need. Voila! the "jogging suit" and sweat shirts are the new items in fashion.

People who haven't run in 20 years are wearing them. They're worn for many occasions from hosting a dinner to shopping downtown and they are being made in every color of the rainbow. Fairweather has Daniel Hechter sweat shirts in 17 colors.

Jumpin Jax, the active sportswear line which Kates represents, has jogging suits with matching shorts in bright vibrant colors for spring and summer. The fall line, already in production, features gray, purple, red, plum and air force blue, singly and in interesting mix-and-match combinations.

The fabrics? Fleece for the sweat shirts; velours and terry for the shorts, the jogging suits and tennis gear. They're comfortable, uncrushable and wash and wear fantastically. For hot weather tennis wear, cotton is making a most welcome return.

The mix and match of solids and prints add a soft springy feeling to even the most basic of styles, according to Morris Gay.

A SOFT TOUCH

TORONTO — In 1948 when he opened his men's wear store on Eglinton Ave., Morris Gay said: "A well-dressed man is a woman's most important accessory." Now in 1980, Ron Gay, the current president of the firm, has opened an additional retail establishment which he feels is a "giant step forward in men's wear retailing."

With the opening of his Shirtings kiosk at First Canadian Place, Ron Gay is continuing the innovations he implemented since purchasing the business from his father five years ago. Until now, open kiosks sold T-shirts, tourst memorabilia and ice cream. As far as Ron knows, his is the first such operation for the sale of high fashion, quality men's wear.

"People have less money to spend on soft goods," he finds. "So we have had to specialize. Specialization in soft goods is the trend and I perceive our kiosk as the first of many to come."

Because of the kiosk set-up, Gay says he is able to sell his wares at a lower than usual price. He carries a special line of designer shirts and co-ordinated accessories such as sweaters, jewelry, ties and leather goods. Internationally noted labels of Arrow, Hathaway, Calvin Klein, Christian Dior are featured; ties are from Richel of Spain, Fumagalli of Italy and John Comfort of England; men's cologne is by Ralph Lauren.

Also featured is a free monogramming service. In the mid 70s, monograms of the top designers became popular. People now want to make their own statement and feel that if they're going to wear a monogram, it should be their own.

Some men like their monograms to be bold and bright, standing out from the rest of the item. Others are more discreet and conservative, opting for initials in a color that blends and almost disappears into the garment, even placing them on the tail of the shirt rather than the cuff or pocket.

They "make their statements" as well in the colors they select. Bright, hot colors are seen in summer accessories; grape, plum, burgundy, strong blues and greens are scheduled for the fall. A softener for summer is the use of putty as a color blend or contrast to the brighter shades.

The hot colors are evident in neckwear for the summer but natural shades (putty, wheat, etc.) are also popular. Many ties are in pure silk or combinations of silk and linen or silk and cotton as well as pure linen. Extremely narrow ties are not popular, most are seven to eight centimetres in width. Shirt collars have a 2¾ to 3 inch spread, so the very narrow ties don't go well with them.

Sweaters are big for the summer and the major innovation is the use of cotton in their manufacture. Emphasis is on comfort and most sweaters can be worn directly on the skin as a T-shirt or over another shirt. They are available in 100% cotton or in combination with other fibres and come in all styles.

The latest development in dress shirts is the use of 100% cotton perma-press fabric — a "marvellous fabric," says Gay. Currently the only firm in Canada that is using this material is Arrow but Gay predicts others will be jumping on the bandwagon. He also foresees a surge in the use of reverse blends (60% cotton/40% polyester) in dress shirts and increased popularity of the oxford cloth, button-down shirt.

TAKE HEART— ROMANCE RETURNS

By SHEILA DROPKIN

TORONTO — Take heart, dreamers. The good news in fashion for this spring and summer is that romance is back.

Gone are the huge shoulders and skinny legs that made women look like walking clothes hangers, or worse. Lacey collars and cuffs, flower combs and pins, gently falling skirts, bright, beautiful colors — all are back.

The ageless, enduring basics and tailored styles are here as well. "With many of these styles, the 20-year-old and the 60-year-old can wear the same thing," Shirley Grant, national fashion co-ordinator for Reitman's and Smart Set stores explained. "Not everyone likes a lot of lace, especially the more mature woman."

Heather Stuart, women's wear manager for Morris Gay, 490 Eglinton St. W., agrees. Her selection is composed mainly of classics which offer "good value — not something that will go out of style in just one season." She adds that the "customer has said no to unflattering clothes."

The mature woman is keeping the romance for her special occasion clothes, both have found. The younger woman and teenager, the Smart Set stores shoppers, tend to be more interested in the "now" look and are not as concerned about durability of style. Some things are the same for both, however. Colors are strong, red, white and blue combinations and bright jewel colors are in sports and dress wear alike, but so is black and white. There is a sharpness and crispness in the latter duo that is flattering to many women, regardless of age or figure.

White is everywhere, most especially as the background for dark prints. Two-piece dresses and dresses with jackets are also popular and, here too, white is quite prominent. In numerous two-piece dresses, the skirt is one color and the jacket another; frequently one is solid and the other a print.

Both Miss Stuart and Mrs. Grant found that mix-and-match colors and items are strong this year. Shoppers appreciate the opportunity to buy four items and make up several combinations from them.

Blazers are still around as the basic cover-up for dress and sportswear. They are available in a variety of fabrics as are other short jackets called by several names — toppers, pant coats, pant jackets — but all basically the same.

Whimsey is around in what Grant calls "wearable art." Sweat suits and blouses are decorated with desert scenes, sketches of tropical islands, dashes and splashes of color and Disney characters, especially Popeye and Olive Oil, Donald Duck and Mickey Mouse.

Many blouses have back interest — plain in the front but frivolous designs on back. Making the scene as well is the bowling shirt, with short or cap sleeves and contrast trim on pocket, sleeves and vents.

While the customers at Morris Gay are rejecting the baggy look in pants (they're not flattering, Stuart finds), Grant believes this style can cover up numerous figure flaws. Both agreed they look best on the tall, very slender person. Baggy or straight, however, the narrower leg is definitely in for all pants.

While prices have increased, Grant finds that the rise has not been appreciable. Reitman's customers historically have had to watch their budgets and Morris Gay has attracted more affluent women, but nowadays everyone is shopping carefully and both operations are dedicated to offering good value.

Because of its substantial buying power, the national chain features "value items" as a matter of course. Most recently this has included T-shirts for $6.88 at both Reitman's and Smart Set. The company has over 600 stores across Canada and has at least one store in every major shopping complex.

Morris Gay generally sells high fashion, top brands at prices somewhat lower than the norm, and Canadian Jewish News readers take full advantage of their advertised specials, Ron Gay has found.

Back to basics also includes the natural fabrics and cotton and linen are popular once again, sometimes alone, sometimes in combination with the man-made fibres.

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[Ben Lechtman]

Hugh Garber, a Montrealer now living in Toronto, is one of Canada's top designers.

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO — The lights dim and the music blares. A hush envelopes the spacious room with the gilded ceiling and glittering chandelier. Suddenly, magically, beautiful, slim, long-legged models appear on the runway, looking impervious or langorous in their simple but elegant dresses and ensemble separates, and affecting a minced or bouncing walk.

It is a fashion show — Hugh Garber's night.

When it is all over, 45 minutes later, the applause from the audience is loud and sincere. Hugh Garber, one of Canada's leading designers, has scored another success.

"I love competing with St. Laurent, Armani and Calvin Klein," he says. "It keeps me on my toes. My biggest thrill is to see women choose mine over theirs."

Garber, originally a Montrealer, is indeed in competition with the world's best. "We have a fabulous, thriving fashion industry in Canada and women here are finally beginning to appreciate it," he says. "It used to be that Toronto women ran to Buffalo and Montreal women to New York for their clothes. That's no longer true."

If Garber's assessment is correct, it is partly a function of his own prosperity as a designer. Since 1976, when he moved to Toronto, he has been the in-house designer for HE II Limited, a division of Ben Liebman Frocks. Volume last year was $1.2 million.

Garber's dresses start at $140 and his three-piece ensembles range in the $280 vicinity. This fall, his designs reveal the body. Broader shoulders make waists seem smaller, and skirts curve gently over the hips. Fabrics are an appealing mix of color — gray, red, teal, purple — and texture, all adding up to a polished, urbane look.

Refusing to ape Paris or Milan, Garber presents his collections well in advance of theirs. "What's right for the French or Italian press is not right for the Canadian consumer," he declares. "We have different weather, a different lifestyle. More women work in Canada; more travel in business. I have to think about all these things when I design."

Garber has been a designer for the last 10 years, and his reputation is growing, not only in Canada, but in Europe and the United States as well. Says Stasia Evasuk of the Toronto Star: "He is one of the top young Canadian talents who has made his mark as a dress designer . . . a dress is the most difficult thing to make because of the fluidity of fabrics, the fit and so many styles. The main thing he thinks about is comfort. And there's a great need for his kind of clothes. You don't make a spectacular entrance with them, but they're in good taste."

Despite the recognition he has received of late, Garber, a man in his mid-30s, doesn't take it for granted.

"It takes nerves of steel and a thick skin to succeed in this business," he explains, ticking off the qualities of a first-class designer. "Everything you do is constantly open to criticism from the press, buyers and consumers."

"A designer," he adds, "is only as good as his last collection. You have to begin your career every season — spring, fall and winter. The pressure to improve is tremendous."

Fashion designing is mostly a matter of hard work and incredible self-discipline, with glamor playing only a minimal role, Garber points out.

He's expected to create 100 dresses for each season — and then sell them. "Your mind is always working. This business can give you an ulcer. In New York, most designers are on pills to get them through the day and night."

As his dresses suggest, Garber likes classic clothes that can be worn for up to three years, as opposed to several months. "I don't like to build obsolescence into my clothes. It doesn't inspire customer loyalty."

Consequently, Garber does not think highly of such fad designers as Kenzo of Japan and Claude Montana of Paris. "They're extremists," he says in dismissing them.

Neither does he like "social designers" such as Diane von Furstenberg and Charlotte Ford. "They've gotten to where they are because of family connections. They haven't paid their dues. They have no background in design. They're socialites who dabble in design."

If anything, Garber has come through the ranks.

The son of an adman he wanted to be an architect, then a commercial artist. At 15, while attending West Hill High School, he was elaborating upon designs in newspaper advertisements and magazines. His art teacher, however, saw little in him. "She hated me. I didn't want to take direction. She never encouraged me."

After graduating from West Hill, Garber studied at the Hornsey College of Art in London, England. "My teachers there would be surprised at my career," he admits. "I never had the patience to be a good student."

In 1964-65, Garber spent six months on Kibbutz Gesher Haziv, picking bananas and serving on tables, as he mulled the course of his life. It was in Israel that he found himself. Returning to Montreal, he enrolled at the Fashion Arts Academy.

A year later, he was off to Rome as assistant to an Italian designer, Patrick de Barentzen. "This is really where I got my training," he says. "It was a fantastic job. He taught me the meaning of proportion, simplicity. He made me appreciate fabrics and color sense."

In spite of the opportunity de Barentzen afforded him, Garber sought to return to Canada. "I'm a Canadian and I like the way things happen quickly in North America. Ultimately, I wanted to design in Canada."

His chance came in 1968, when he joined Margo Dress in Montreal as a basic shirtmaker designer. He enjoyed it, but he yearned for total freedom in his designing. Four years ago, he found it when he became one of four partners in HE II Limited. "I'm branching out with interesting color combinations," he observes, "putting fabrics together — mainly expensive natural ones like linens, wools and silks — that I never would have before."

Garber shops for fabrics primarily in Western Europe and New York, and he travels to London and Paris regularly on observation trips.

It's a hectic life, but Garber wouldn't give it up for anything. "No day is routine," he says. "Sometimes, when the load piles up, I wish I were working in a bank. But this mood doesn't last too long."

Garber is a workhorse. Recently, he completed his first fur collection for Simpsons, and is currently in the midst of designing a uniform for CP air hostesses.

A bachelor, he lives in an 80-year-old house in the Annex district of Toronto he is renovating himself. When he isn't designing, he loves to cook.

Surprisingly, Garber is not all that concerned with the clothes he wears. "I never have time to shop for myself," he says. In any event, he prefers sporty clothes, disdaining ties.

"I have no patience for people whose life is just bound up with fashion," he concludes. "Clothes do help the woman, or man. But it's only one component. I'd rather speak to someone like Bella Abzug than to some New York fashion authority."

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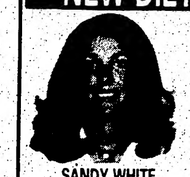

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By RENE VINCENT

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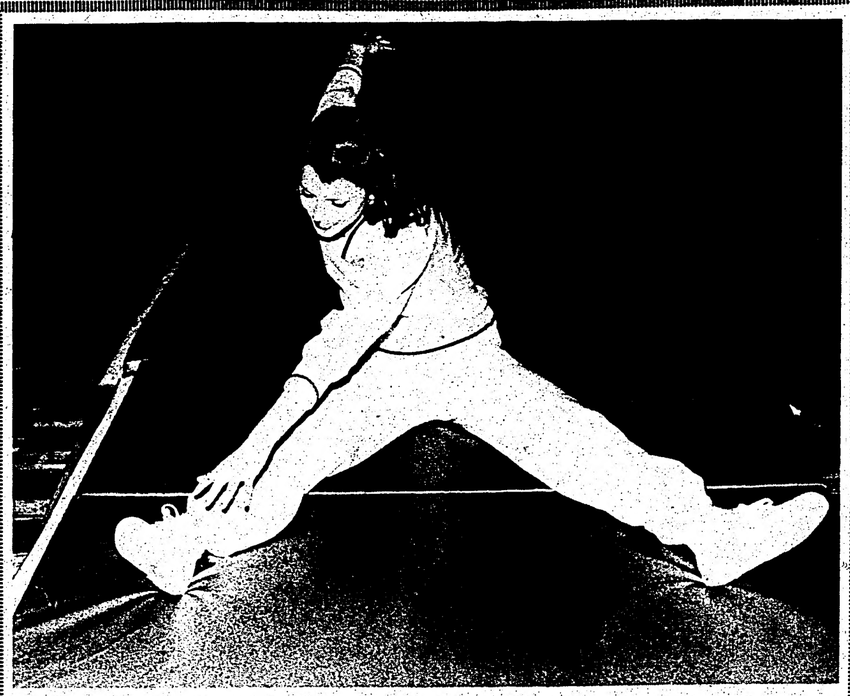
Rene Vincent is executive director of the Allied Beauty Association, a national, non-profit trade association formed by the professional beauty industry to improve the quality of haircare.



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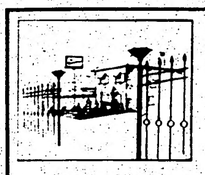

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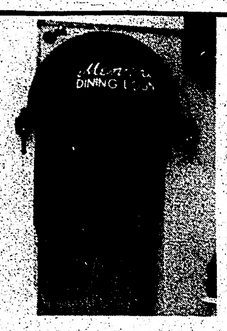

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Former star sprinter predicts no Olympics this summer

Sports Scene

By MURRAY MALKIN

TORONTO —

As long ago as last September, Stan Levenson, who represented Canada at the 1956 Melborne Olympics in the 100 — metre dash, was calling for an Olympic Boycott. "They laughed at me then," Levenson says, "and they were still laughing as late as February."

Levenson says he realizes the kids trained long and hard for many years, but in the long run they'll come out winners because of the boycott. I hope the athletes never forget that they don't live in a world all their own. They live in the same world as every Tom, Dick and Harry."

Besides calling for the Olympic boycott, Levenson says he also predicted the Canada Cup would be cancelled, and as a further prediction, he told The Canadian Jewish News that he thinks the Olympic Games won't take place this summer.

When asked why he thought the athletes should favor a boycott, Levenson said amateur athletes have always been considered as ambassadors to the world. It's time they said if we're goodwill ambassadors, why can't we do something to stop this invasion of Russia. The politicians aren't doing anything.

Levenson feels that by boycotting the games the Russians will be hit in the one place they understand - the pocketbook. "This will deprive them of money they could have used for more armaments."

Levenson says officials and coaches were telling him the boycott would never come off. "The officials were selfish, all they wanted was to go to the Games. They were only thinking of themselves."

When Levenson went to the games in 1956 he was only 18 years old. He says if he was running now and asked to boycott the Games it would be a very emotional thing "but of course I wouldn't go."

He says he doesn't know of one Canadian who isn't proud of the decision of our athletes to boycott. "I'll admit that in the early stages I called the athletes a bunch of cry babies, but I'm happy to be proven wrong. We all know it's a sacrifice but others have made bigger sacrifices.

"The public didn't understand what the athlete was going through emotionally."

Levenson says one coach told him he (Levenson) didn't have a thing to lose because he had already been to the Olympics. "But we were talking about innocent people being slaughtered in their homeland. How would we feel if Canada was invaded and the rest of the world stood by?"

Stan Levenson

People who think there are no politics in sports are living in a dream world, according to Levenson. He points to the Hitler Olympics in the 1930s. There was the massacre at Munich in 1972 and Levenson says that when he was in Melbourne in 1956 the Russians had just moved into Hungary. "I remember seeing Hungarian athletes getting visas at the airport so they could stay in Australia.

"But in those days," Levenson said, "athletes didn't speak out."

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A number of Toronto baseball fans and writers have gotten together to publish Bullpen, the Canadian Baseball Review, a four-time-a-year tabloid specializing in the Canadian baseball scene.

Editor-in-chief Allan Golombek told The CJN that 5,000 copies of the first issue were printed. "All the stories were written for free because at the present time we can't afford to pay anything. We're trying to be a service to people interested in baseball.

"We want to make Bullpen a national publication. There are many people who like baseball and not necessarily major league baseball."

The first issue concentrates mainly on the Toronto Blue Jays, of the American League, and the Montreal Expos, of the National League. Golumbek said that the true baseball fan in Montreal is anxious for more information on the Blue Jays than he can get in his local papers and the same is true in Toronto where the Expos are concerned.

Besides Golumbek there are three other Jewish writers volunteering their services to the publication; Cy Kanowitch, George Auerbach and Butch Crotin.

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North American Soccer League fans may be interested in knowing that the backup goaltender for the Rochester Lancers is a former member of Israeli national teams.

Emanuel Schwartz, 22, has appeared with the national team since 1973.

He played for Maccabi Tel Aviv for two years.

Large turnout for BB dinner honors Ottawa community worker

By DAVID MARIGOLD

OTTAWA —

The largest turnout ever for the B'nai B'rith Citizen of the Year award dinner recently honored Hyman Soloway, a onetime community leader and heard keynote speaker Philip Vineberg describe the leadership challenges that lie ahead.

A senior law partner of the firm of Soloway, Wright and Houston, the 66-year-old Soloway has served as president of several major Jewish organizations including the Jewish Community Council, Jewish Community Centre, Congregation Beth Shalom and B'nai B'rith Ottawa lodge. He is currently the associate chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, in addition to being a member of the executive committee of Canadian Jewish Congress and other national groups.

Philip F. Vineberg, a well known Montreal attorney, told the audience of over 600 people that Canadian Jewry had been vastly transformed in his lifetime. He cited Chief Justice Bora Laskin and several Jewish provincial chief justices as examples of honors attained by Canadian Jews in one generation.

"As part of our changing role, we can no longer look to Europe for many leaders or immigrants," he said. "Canadian Jewry has now both a great challenge and overwhelming burden of responsibility facing it. Hyman Soloway is the greatest embodiment of what we can do to fulfil our roles as Jews and Canadians."

Gordon Henderson, president of the Canadian Bar Association, said he was proud to bring greetings from the lawyers of the group for Soloway's "contributions to the legal, educationsl and social fabric of the city."

In reply to these and other tributes, Soloway said it was a privilege to be included as one of a group of prominent Canadians honored by this award. "I accept this award partly out of fespect for this land and its institutions and laws, and partly so that others can share in the responsibilities afterwards," he said.

As part of the award, B'nai B'rith Ottawa lodge established a graduate scholarship in Judaic Studies in Soloway's name at Carleton University.

Soloway is the 25th recipient of the Citizen of the Year award since its inception in 1962. Rev. Norman Johnston was honored in 1978.

Louis Rasminsky, former governor of the Bank of Canada, was dinner chairman. Among those in attendance were: Israel Ambassador Anug; Supreme Court Chief Justice Bora Laskin; Bank of Canada governor Gerald BouertBouey and MPs Herb Gray, Walter Baker and Lloyd Francis.

Dinitz: Need dialogue

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —

Simcha Dinitz, former Israel ambassador to the United States, said here last week that it is important for Jordan and moderate Palestinians--but not the PLO, he emphasized--to "join the dialogue" regarding the West Bank.

Dinitz was speaking at a press conference held at the Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am, as part of that congregation's anniversary celebration program.

"If we and Egypt and the Americans arrive at an agreement, we will, at most, have resolved the negotiations but not the problem," he said. "We need the support of the moderate Arabs."

The oil-producing nations need to realize that their lot lies with the U.S., he explained. "They may have the oil, but the U.S. has the technology, food and security. They have to know it's a two-way street.

For their part, the Americans could intensify their activities in three areas to project a required sense of credibility to their recalcitrant allies, according to Dinitz.

"The U.S. should assert its presence in the Indian Ocean in as formidable a way as possible. It should support the elements resisting Soviet aggression in Afghanistan, and in an obvious way. And it should beef up its capability to act and react to further acts of Soviet aggression anywhere in the world," he said.

Dinitz expressed categorical refusal of Israel to deal with the PLO, pointing out that the avowed aim of the terrorist group is the obliteration of the Jewish state. "They talk like murderers and they act like murderers," said Dinitz. "Suicide is not a national obligation for us."

Discussing the recent abortive U.S. rescue bid in Iran, Dinitz said: "The important thing about its effect is how it will be interpreted, both by U.S. allies and by the Soviets. "Power is not only what you possess, but the image you create. It is important that the U.S. did make a decision to take action, whether or not its execution was successful."

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Esther Wolf, left, and Muriel Ginsberg confer with Rabbi Howard Hoffman as they prepare for the ceremonial objects show at London's Or Shalom synagogue. [J. W. Samuels photo]

Crafts show features Jewish items

By PAMELA GODFREY-SAMUELS

LONDON, ONT. —

A show and sale of Jewish ceremonial objects — believed to be the first of its kind — will open at Or Shalom Synagogue in London on the evening of May 31. Sponsored by the synagogue's board of governors, the show will feature a wide selection of items specially designed and made for Jewish home observance.

The idea for the event grew out of a year of meetings and conversations, according to Muriel Ginsberg, co-chairman of the planning committee.

In early 1978, a fund was set up at the synagogue to honor Mrs. Ginsberg's husband Hyman, life gabbai of the congregation, on his 70th birthday. Ginsberg said he would like the fund used for a service for the synagogue and the community which did not already exist — preferably related to art. Then followed a year during which many plans were considered and discarded. were considered and discarded.

"I'd always been at a loss to find Jewish things that were as nice as the other things I had to use in my home," says Mrs. Ginsberg, and when it appeared that many other people felt the same way, the idea for the show was born.

Mrs. Ginsberg and her co-chariman, Esther Wolf, decided to seek out established craftsmen and invite them to submit articles for the show. This entailed a visit to the offices of the Ontario Crafts Council in Toronto, to look through the files of artists' portfolios there. Artists whose work was known to the committee, or who had been recommended by other artists, brought the final list to 200 names.

A first letter was sent out to these craftsmen in June of 1979, and about 100 replied. The committee then set about making a concise and comprehensive list of possible objects, along with suggestions for the media which would be appropriate for their execution. It turned out to be a 20-page booklet-as well as a truly educational experience for the committee members, according to Mrs. Wolf.

Objects given will be judged by a jury consisting of Prof. Joyce Zemans, dean of visual arts in the Department of Fine Arts, York University; Maurice Stubbs, curator of the McIntosh Gallery at the University of Western Ontario; and Rudolf Bikkers, well-known London printmaker, with Rabbi Howard Hoffman of Congregation Or Shalom assisting.

Among the awards will be prizes for the best objects in various media categories, as well as for outstanding use of Jewish symbolism and good research.

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Jerusalem pavilion at this year's Caravan

TORONTO —

There will be a Jerusalem pavilion again this year in the Metro International Caravan, according to Alan Borden, chairman of the Israel cabinet of Canadian B'nai B'rith. Borden said B'nai B'rith will co-ordinate the activities "on behalf of the entire Jewish community."

The locale: the south Jewish Community Centre, at Bloor and Spadina.

Emphasis will be placed on lively entertainment and exotic Mideast delicacies, says Borden. The cuisine will feature falafel, Mideast salad plates and baklava — all prepared by a Lebanese Christian family who own The Only Falafel House in Toronto. Food will be under the supervision of the Canadian Jewish Orthodox division.

Nightly entertainment will feature Aelita, Russian Jewish entertainer. Joining her will be the Nirkoda Dancers peforming Israeli folk dances, and the show will also feature Dahlia Nadah performing Yemenite-Jewish dances.

Rick Kardonne, who last year served in the capacity of musical director, has been retained again to co-ordinate the shows.

An outdoor cafe will feature Leah Ziegler, who will sing to the accordian accompaniment of Roman Pemelshtern. Dancing will also take place in the courtyard cafe and will be co-ordinated by Adina Kaufman.

Both Forestdale Heights lodge and Leonard Mayzel Ontario lodge have announced they will be participating in the pavilion with booths. The Pioneer Women's Organization has also indicated its participation and will have a booth selling Israeli products.

The patrons' night will be on Thursday, June 19. Caravan dates are from June 20 to 28.

The Jerusalem pavilion will be closed on the Friday evening and will not reopen until sundown Saturday.

Jerusalem and Halacha theme of convention scheduled for New York

TORONTO —

Rabbi Gedalia Felder, spiritual leader of Toronto's Shomrai Shabboth Chevre Mishnayoth Synagogue, will be among the scholars making a speech at the upcoming oral law convention in New York, May 11-12.

According to Dr. Yitzchok Raphael, former-Israel minister of religion and president of Jerusalem's Mossad Horav Kook, it is the first convention in North America sponsored by his institution. Theme is "Jerusalem and Halacha." The lectures will be published.

Among the participating scholars will be Israel's Chief Sephardic Rabbi Ovadia Yoseph; Rabbi Moshe Hershler of Israel; leading American Orthodox spokesman, Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik; Rabbi David Bleich, Hershel Shachter and Gedalia Scwartz, of New York; and Rabbi Simcha Kook, of Rehovot. Kurt Rothchild, president of Mizrachi Canada, will be among those delivering community greetings.

Rabbi Felder will speak Sunday morning at the first session, on the topic Bikkurim--first fruits--in Jerusalem."

Mossad Horav Kook has been conducting a Torah conclave every summer in Jerusalem for the past 20 years. The deliberations and lectures have been published by the Mossad in 20 volumes.

The convention will take place at the Penn Statler Hilton, on 32nd St. in New York City.

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Kitchener opens UIA campaign

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The Ontario region of the United Israel Appeal opened its 1980 campaign here recently with an address by a top Israel official on Jewish rights in the peace negotiations.

Harry Hurwitz, information advisor to Prime Minister Menachem Begin, told the leadership of the men's and women's division that Jerusalem would always be part of Israel and that its status was not negotiable. He also stated Jews had a right to settle in Judea and Samaria and that the present settlements there would remain.

He said the Sinai, which Israel is relinquishing, was never part of historical Israel, and so the return of these lands to Egypt had no profound significance for Jews, except for the displacement of those people living there now. He expressed hope about the peace negotiations, saying if the talks continued for a long enough period there would be a "final and acceptable agreement."

Hurwitz stressed that there had never been a timetable in the Camp David agreement and the establishment of a target date for the autonomy of Judea and Samaria was something that had been added subsequently by Egyptian and American interpreters of the Camp David accord.

Hurwitz also discussed his recent trip to Or Yehuda, the Project Renewal area adopted by the Ontario region Jewish communities. He said he had never anticipated that there could be such poverty, both spiritual and physical, and felt that the right step had been taken through Project Renewal "to rid Israel of this blight."

The Israel government already had started spending large sums of money for this rehabilitation. These funds would now be matched by Canadians within the areas in Israel adopted by their regions, he added.

Hurwitz's wife, Freda, gave a separate address to members of the women's division.

Pledges made indicated an increase above last year's donations.

A cocktail reception for the guest speakers was hosted by the co-chairmen of the Ontario region men's division, Murray Walman and Harold Zacks, and by the co-chairmen of its women's division, Elaine Walman and Beverly Zacks.

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Arts

Avraham Galper clarinet scholarship fund established to honor retiring symphony member

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By RICK KARDONNE

TORONTO —

Avrahm Galper, principal clarinetist of the Toronto Symphony with which he has been associated since 1974, has announced his retirement from the orchestra.

In honor of the occasion, friends and associates are establishing the Avraham Galper clarinet scholarship at the Royal Conservatory of Music. This scholarship drive is being spearheaded by Ezra Schabas, principal of the Royal Conservatory, and former pupil Dr. Michael Sanders.

The Galper Scolarship is expected to be the first major clarinet scholarship in Canada and pays tribute to a brilliant player and teacher. Avrahm Galper was born in Edmonton and moved to Eretz Israel at an early age with his parents where his first clarinet teacher was Tzvi Tzipine. During World War 11, he played with army entertainment units in the Mideast. At the end of the war he returned to Canada via Great Britain where he studied with Frederick Thurston at the Royal College of Music in London.

Back in Canada, he commuted to New York to further his studies with Simeon Bellison of the New York Philharmonic.

Avrahm Galper has been principal clarinet with the Toronto Symphony, Israel Philharmonic, Palestine Opera Company, CBC Symphony, Toronto Philharmonic, Canadian Opera Company and others.

On the teaching staff of the faculty of music, U of T and Royal Conservatory, he has given many clarinet clinics throughout North America. He frequently appeared as soloist with the TSO.

A recording made for Canadian Talent Library featuring Galper with the Hart House Orchestra is a radio favorite. He has also recorded Bartok's **Contrasts** for CBC, and Canadian clarinet music for CAPAC.

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Dr. Sanders and Schabas want the financial equal the splendid concept of its innovation and to pay just tribute to this remarkable musician. Tax-deductible checks, for the Avrahm Galper clarinet scholarship, should be made payable to the Royal Conservatory of Music, 273 Bloor St. W., Toronto M5S 1W2.

Co-chairmen Sanders and Schabas will inform contributors in due course how much can be given to deserving students each year.

COC FULL-TIME: Great news from the Canadian Opera Company. For the first time, the COC, thanks to Imperial Oil, will support a permanent resident company of eight young Canadian singers and one conductor. As members of the ensemble, the artists will appear in productions during the company's main opera season in Toronto and in special ensemble opera presentations. In addition, they will participate in a variety of community outreach programs across Canada and will have the opportunity for supplementary musical and theatrical development.

Auditions are currently taking place in Toronto and elsewhere. Both COC general director Lofti Mansouri and Maureen Forrester expressed to me an interest in auditioning recent Soviet Jewish immigrants with opera experience in Russia.

Of course, the auditions are open to all. Those interested should immediately contact the Canadian Opera Company.

How will tomorrow look?

Toffler brashly arranges furniture of unknown

books

By BERNARD BASKIN

THE THIRD WAVE
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How will tomorrow look? Is there a new society in the making? how can we come to terms with the "postindustrial age?"

Most mortals hesitate to don the mantle of prophecy. But not confident and ebullient Alvin Toffler who brashly arranges for us the furniture of the unknown. Perhaps he is emboldened by the success of "Future Shock," his recent best seller.

This self-proclaimed futurist asserts that for untold eons mankind underwent a primitive agricultural period. This was followed in the late 18th century by the Industrial Revolution. About 25 years ago we began to move into a third wave society which, while transforming our lives, offers opportunities for happiness and well-being.

The world of tomorrow will render narrow loyalties and national boundaries obsolete. Already there is a movement in many countries towards decentralized thinking and planning in government, industry and family life. The old nuclear family, built around husband and wife and a number of children, is a product of the past and will be destroyed in the face of increasing diversity and tolerance.

The aging or "graying" of the population in all high-technology countries will lead to greater concern for the needs of the elderly. Our focus will no longer be on the young.

As women continue to develop jobs or careers the opportunity and concern for motherhood will be diminished.

Every home will boast of a computer. Instead of a few messages going to a large number of people, many messages will flow through the new media to small but highly differentiated groups. Many kinds of work will flourish in homes rather that in factories as the "electronic cottage," will be encouraged.

The new ethic will encouraged "self-reliance, the ability to adapt and survive under difficult conditions, and the ability to do things with one's own hands — whether to build a fence, to cook a great meal, to make one's own clothes or to restore an antique chest."

The strains and tensions of our time are caused largely by our inability or unwillingness to adjust to the strenuous and emerging new challenge. The traditional antagonisms between rich and poor, political parties and opposing classes are now out-moded. The real struggle is between those who close their eyes to inexorable alterations and those who courageously mount the new wave into the promised land.

"The world we are fast entering is so remote from our past experience that all psychological speculations are admittedly shaky. What is absolutely clear, however, is that powerful forces are streaming together to alter social character — to elicit certain traits, to suppress others and, in the process, to transorm us all," says Toffler.

What are we to make of all this? Is Toffler prophet or charlatan? Many of his sweeping predictions seem facile and glib, based more on current trends than on a close study and understanding of history. Nonetheless, he has delved in to all aspects of our torn and confilicted society and emerged with hints, suggestions, insights and formulations that stimulate the mind and quicken the emotions.

The third wave may not sweep over us in anything like the manner that Toffler proposes. But all blueprints — even wild and speculative ones — should be examined, discussed and pondered.

Shimon Dzigan, leading Israeli satirist, dies at the age of 74

TEL AVIV —

Shimon Dzigan, the Israeli satirist who was known to Yiddish speaking audiences throughout the world, died recently at the age of 74. Dzigan suffered a heart attack April 5 on stage at the premier of his new show based on Sholem Aleichem's stories in honor of the 12th anniversary of the Yiddish writer's birth.

The Polish-born wit was known in Israel for his biting satire on everyday life in Israel as well as Israeli politics and politicians. In an interview with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency in New York in the fall of 1978, Dzigan said the Israeli officials do not mind his barbs since he makes them famous.

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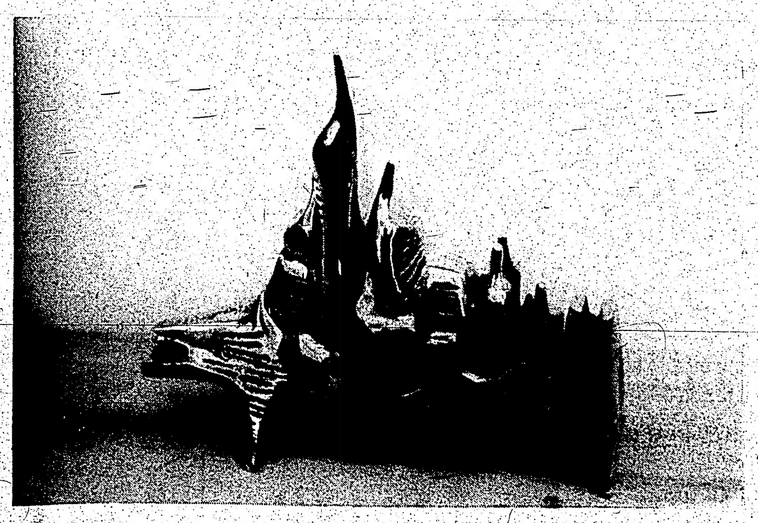

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The cascading majesty of Niagara Falls was viewed by more than 16 million tourists last year.

Niagara provides tourists with plenty of activities

Holiday in Canada

By ANDREA PARKER

NIAGARA FALLS, ONT.

Approximately 16 million tourists flooded Niagara Falls last year to view the falls, linger in the beautifully kept parks and take advantage of the activities on the "neon strip."

For the person willing to read from the endless numbers of pamphlets available in the Niagara area, he or she will discover that the Canadian (Horseshoe) Falls are 54 metres high and 675 metres wide, the American Falls are 56 metres high and 320 metres wide, and the Niagara River is 35 miles long.

The Niagara Parks Commission (NPC) encompasses more than 2,800 acres, from Niagara-on-the-Lake to Fort Erie. Ron Devereux, public relations officer for the NPC said tourists often compliment the commission for the beautiful gardens, cleanliness of the parks and various services the staff have provided.

Devereux explained that after the Blossom Festival (May 3 to May 24), the 125,000 summer plants, grown in greenhouses, will be planted in Queen Victoria Park, Oakes Garden Theatre and at the Floral Clock.

For those interested in the more commercial section there is Clifton Hill, which has museums, miniature golfing, shopping at Maple Leaf Village and is close to the Panasonic, Oneida and Skylon towers. Jim Moir, general manager of the Niagara Resort & Tourist Association (NRTA) said "if people don't like the neon strip, they can take a few short steps to the most tranquil and beautiful parks in North America.

"The traffic conditions in Niagara Falls are never as bad as any big city at 4 p.m.," he continued. Large parking facilities, such as the one at the Skylon Tower, are filled to capacity maybe only once a year but he added "if people park at the brink of the falls, they will have problems."

With 175 hotels and motels and 242 restaurants, this city of 71,000 can accommodate approximately 25,000 people overnight, said Stella Howlett, office manager of the NRTA.

Congregation B'nai Jacob is about half a mile from Clifton Hill. While there are no kosher restaurants in Niagara Falls, Rabbi Nathan Liberman said that many tourists come to the synagogue for Shabbat services on Saturday morning.

Those heading south towards Chippawa will pass the famous Marineland and Game Farm. Continuing in the same direction will lead to Fort Erie, where tourists can watch guards perform in the fort restored to the period. The Peace Bridge, leading to Buffalo, N.Y. is also located here.

But Devereux said the heaviest concentration of tourists is in the other direction between Niagara Falls and Queenston Heights, where many battles of the War of 1812 were fought. Across the Lewiston - Queenston bridge, in the United States, is Artpark where you can watch music and dance performances from June 24 to September 1.

Niagara-on-the-Lake, seven miles away from the falls, and Fort George, also reconstructed to the 1812 period, are popular. Margaret Jennings, managing secretary of tourist information said the town "is not a tourist trap like Niagara Falls . . . Everybody lives in old homes. People have restored old houses and made the town more attractive."

Niagara-on-the-Lake, which was captured by the Americans and burned on May 13, 1813, will be celebrating its bicentennial next year. Currently, thousands of tourists come to see plays at the Shaw Festival (May 6 to Oct. 5), said Jennings.

And there is still much more to see and do in the area. Doris Wells, executive director of the Region Niagara Tourist Council explained that many people visit the Lock 3 observation platform at the Welland Canal or follow the historic Indian trial along St. Paul St. in St. Catharines, the garden city. The canal, first opened in 1829, was built to bypass Niagara Falls and connect Lake Ontario to Lake Erie.

But it seems newlyweds are not bypassing Niagara Falls. Last year, approximately 15,000 couples registered with the NRTA, said Howlett. The received a certificate proclaiming they had spent their honeymoon in Niagara Falls, the Honeymoon Capital of the world.

Good travel agent also good psychologist

By BEVERLEY STERN

This week, The CJN, in its series on women in business and the professions, interviews Renata Eisen of Sheppard Travel Agency who started the business with Shelagh Klavir in 1969. One of the first all-women travel agencies, Sheppard Travel is not sexist, says Ms. Eisen. "We would be glad to hire men," she says but they don't seem to want to work for women."

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TORONTO —

Sheppard travel is smack in the centre of a Jewish shopping plaza which always seems to totter on the brink of near-traffic disaster. It is a personal kind of place where every face looks familiar even if it is not. It is in this hubbub of Jewish activity, located downstairs below street level, that Sheppard Travel operates its business.

Ms. Eisen, who wrote her first travel ticket while working for Dominion Travel, one of Toronto's oldest travel agencies, recalled for The CJN a life which spanned the Holocaust, flight from Europe, Israel and emigration to Canada -- and a lifetime in the industry which saw the era of steamships superseded by jumbo jets.

Born in Zagreb, Yugoslavia, the capital of Croatia, Eisen and her family fled from the little known but vicious assault of anti-semitic Croats in 1941. "If you could believe it, "she said, "the Germans had to protect us from the croats."

At the age of 11, she and her mother escaped to safety by rowing a boat at night towards the Italian — held part of Yugoslavia. Eventually reunited with the rest of the family in a small Italian village, they remained under Italian protection until the Germans entered the area in 1943.

Rallying around the beleaguered family, the Italian villages obtained false papers, prepared food and clothing and escorted seven members of the her kin in an incredible 48-hour journey across the Alps into Switzerland.

Living in Geneva until late 1949, the family emigrated to Israel, one of hundreds of thousands of war-exhausted refugees. Ms. Eisen joined the Israel air force — "at that time when Israel had about three airplanes." It was there that she met her husband, Alex.

Just a youthful 20, but proficient in five languages, Eisen first worked for an Israeli radio station beaming programs to Diaspora Jewry in French, Yiddish and English.

Life in Israel in the early 1950s was plunged into austerity. Living in a small, damp room in Jerusalem (for which she paid almost 40 pounds out of a salary of 45 pounds was hard enough, but when even that room was no longer available -- and other Jerusalem lodgings were non-existent -- she wired her brother in Canada -- and within a couple of months moved to Toronto with Alex.

In Toronto, the Jewish Vocational Service, working feverishly to place all the newly arrived refugees, sent her to Murray Heifetz at Dominion Travel on Queen St.

"Heifetz at this time was up to his neck in bringing over hundreds of refugees from Europe to rejoin families here in Toronto. He needed a multilingual interpreter to speak to his clients, many of whom only spoke a broken English."

Leisure traveling during the early 1950s was a luxury only the privileged few could afford, Ms. Eisen says. And traveling was primarily by steamship. "When we sold an airline ticket, it was hip-hip-hoorary, and everyone talked about it. The airlines courted us like mad, but the prices were high and people were leery of flying.

"Cuba was then a popular destination for wealthy Jews. It had gorgeous beaches and reputation for naughtiness because of its gambling and night life.

"The average middle-income traveler had not yet entered the picture. I only wrote deluxe tickets and never even saw a first-class ticket at that time," she said.

Recalling the prestige and snob appeal attached to continental travel, she says chauffeur-driven cars met her clients at either the airport or the ports -- unlike the buses of today.

The 1960s, however, marked the advent of travel for the burgeoning middle-class who now had the disposable income for leisure travel. New package plans and destinations opened up in Mexico, the Caribbean and Europe.

[Marlo Fieldstone photo]

Renata Eisen

Increased acceptance of airline travel made far-away places more accessible and one of the countries ready to cash in on the new affluence and increased airline activity was Israel. The cheapest air fare to Israel in the 1950s, Eisen recalls, was about $1000. "But when El Al came out with its first group fare price at $545 in the early 1960s, then the doors to Israel really opened up," she says.

Eisen, who left Dominion Travel in 1961 to raise her two children, Karen, 19 and Doron, 17, worked subsequently for El Al as an office manager where she met her future associate in the travel business, Shelagh Klavir, then an El Al supervisor.

In 1969, Klavir and Eisen opened their own business -- coincident with the era of the "really big bargains in travel," Eisen says. "For $149," she remembers, you could book air fare and accommodation to Florida. We couldn't make much, but the turnover was fantastic.

"Now into the 1980s, the travel agencies face a situation of double jeopardy," she said. "High fuel costs have sent the price of airline tickets skyrocketing." While she admits this makes it easier for an agent to make a dollar, she is bothered by the bite of inflation and a sagging economy.

"Last year was a good year for the travel industry," she says, "but we have to be disadvantaged eventually by the serious decline in what we call discretionary dollars.

The one bright spot in an otherwise dark picture," she comments, "is the accelerated activity in corporate and commercial air travel. Globe-trotting Jewish businessmen are flying to such exotic Far Eastern places as Sri Lanka (formerly Ceylon), Taiwan, Hong Kong and Korea. Not far behind on itineraries are China, Europe and the Middle East. And Central Africa is also figuring in some recent bookings."

For those who would enter the travel business, she advises a basic curiosity and above all, a love of travel. "It's not a business for someone who wants to get rich," she says. "It is too controlled externally by suppliers — the airlines, tour operators hotels and steamships."

Be prepared for the unforeseen, she counsels, and keep a sense of humor. As a travel agent, you get blamed for strikes, poor weather, lousy cab drivers and even malfunctioning plumbing.

"A good travel agent is also a good psychologist, she claims." "For example, some of our customers tell me, 'Renata, we want a good price, we don't care about accommodation' But I know differently."

A frequent traveler to Israel where she has family, Eisen is a great lover of Europe. Her favorite cities are Amsterdam, Paris, London, New York and the whole Italian lake region of northern Italy.

In the last few years, her "most exciting experience" was in Peru in 1977 where the culture of the Andes Indians combined with the Inca ruins and the magnificent Andes to make an unforgettable trip.

Unlike many of her customers, Eisen says she can't get away for long periods of time. "I'm a snatcher of time. I'm used to bits and pieces. I see what I can see, and I'm an incurable optimist. In my heart, I'm always hoping I'll get back to see more at another time.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Canterbury wouldn't try to convert Jews

In an interview with the Jewish Chronicle assistant editor, the new Archbishop of Canterbury, the Most Rev. Robert Runcie, discusses the activities of Christian missionaries among Jews, the relationship between Jews and Christians in Britain and among other subjects, the question of religion in the Soviet Union.

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By DAVID NATHAN

"No," said the Most Rev. Robert Alexander Kennedy Runcie, "I would not try to convert my Jewish friends to Christianity. But," he added, "if any of them showed any interest I would see that they were given the right information."

It was the parting question and answer as he showed me to the door of his living room in Lambeth Palace after an hour-long interview shortly before his recent enthronement. Much of the conversation had been about what seems to be the increasing activity on the part of Christian missionaries to bring about the conversion of the Jews.

Archbishop Runcie is not very comfortable with the subject, would like more time to think through all its implications. He is, after all, very new to the job and the questions raised by conversion techniques are not susceptible to simple answers.

As Primate of All England he has to reconcile his clear duty to spread the gospel according to his beliefs with the equally clear right of the individual to hold a contrary opinion. Privately, one feels, he is sympathetic to any appeal that people should be left alone — certainly that they should not be harassed. Very firm about that. "Insensitive evangelism that does not respect ethnic roots will not command my support," he said.

Sensitive evangelism would presumably be another matter.

"Obviously," he said, "I think it is the business of Christians to communicate their faith, but there are many different ways of doing it."

As Archbishop he is automatically a president of the Council of Christians and Jews in whose activities proselytization plays no part. It is also usual for the Archbishop of Canterbury to be president of the CMJ, once the Church's Mission to the Jews, now the Church's Ministry to the Jews. Did he not find the aims of the two organizations incompatible?

We both forgot, or were unaware of, its change of name and referred to it as the "Mission."

"The impression I got from the Mission's work in Israel," said the Archbishop, "is that it is a different body from what its name might seem to threaten. My impression is that it is an agent of dialogue much more than it was before and that it is an organization that Jews, when they know it, have actually welcomed as one that is rather more associated with the State of Israel than some other Christian bodies, more in touch."

The following day one of the Archbishop's staff telephoned to point out that the CMJ had changed its name from Mission to Ministry some years ago and that the Archbishop wanted it to be known that he welcomed the change.

What, I asked, was the difference between a Mission and a Ministry? He would ring back, he said. When he did, it was with the news that Mission had been dropped because it sounded too Victorian, too patronizing. "Ministry" emphasized service more than conversion.

In general, Archbishop Runcie believes that relations between Christians and Jews in Britain are good. "I can think of many personal examples in the place where I recently worked," he said (he was Bishop of St. Albans). It included areas of quite high Jewish population like Elstree. There was co-operation and understanding whenever any problem arose such as religious assembly in church schools."

As chairman of the Central Religious Advisory Council, which advises the BBC and IBA on religious broadcasting he was, to a large extent, instrumental in bringing Rabbi Hugo Gryn, the first non-Christian member, on to the Council.

"My own personal experience," the Archbishop said, "is not of difficulties but of new developments and understanding. I think I am one of the first Archbishops not to come from a background of Christian piety and being married into an academic rather than a religious family — my wife is a professional musician — I know a lot of Jews just naturally, moved easily among them and hardly been aware that so many friends and colleagues were Jewish until something rather specific arose. I was at a Jewish wedding not so long ago whereas I have never been to a Baptist or Methodist wedding.

"There used to be an idea — it is still about in some places — that in order to communicate Christian faith you have to create a vacuum and then insert Christianity. I feel very strongly that the idea that other faiths are all darkness and Christianity is all light is wrong. What we hold — and cannot avoid holding if we are Christians — is the belief that Christianity is the fulfilment. But that's not to say we haven't got a great deal to learn from others, particularly, I would have thought, from the Jewish tradition.

"We need, for instance, that great moral and prophetic fervor which I hope isn't being lost in Judaism. Some people I talked to in Israel have expressed worry about that but the kind of moral backbone to human life which comes from Judaism is something that I will want to know more about it. I know about it in theory but I want to know more about how it is being reflected in the present generation."

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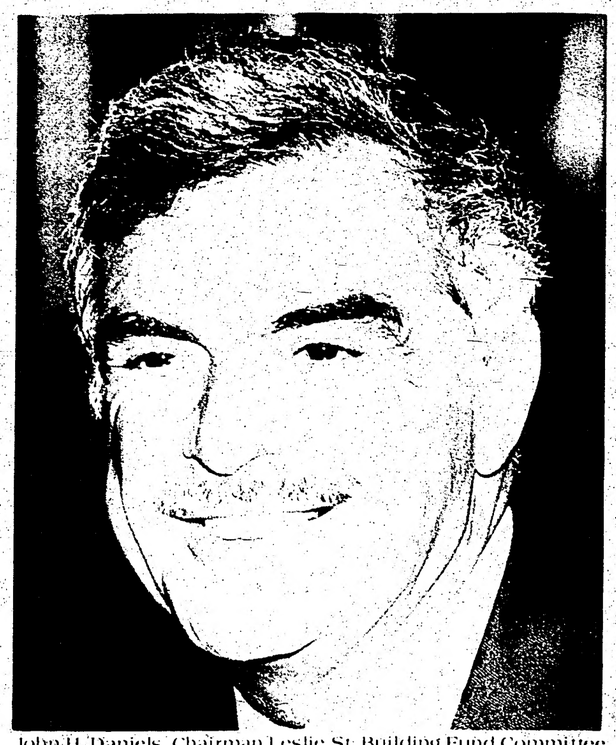

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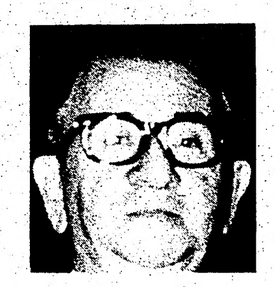

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A. The Associated was founded on Simcoe Street in 1907. It has been serving the Toronto Jewish Community for over seven decades.

3. Q. "What are the aims and objectives of the Associated Hebrew Schools?"

Samuel Shainhouse,
Immediate Past
President A.H.S.
Associate Chairman,
Leslie St. Building Fund
Committee

A. The Associated strives to produce a well-rounded, knowledgable Jewish person who will understand and appreciate religious values, have the desire to lead a rich Jewish life, and identify with Torah, the Jewish people, ideals and traditions, the Hebrew language, the State of Israel, the Canadian community, and all mankind.

4. Q. "How large is the Associated?"

Louis Weisfeld,
Chairman of the Board,
Associated Hebrew
Schools of Toronto

A. The Associated has a school population of some 2,500 students. It is the largest Jewish Day School in the world outside of Israel.

5. Q. "What is its curriculum?"

Harold L. Dessen, C.A.
President,
Associated Hebrew
Schools of Toronto

A. The course of the General Studies complies with the requirements of the Ontario Ministry of Education. The curriculum of Hebrew Studies imparts a deep knowledge of Modern Hebrew Language and Literature, Bible, Jewish History, Laws and Customs, and Talmud.

6. Q. "How well does the Associated do its job?"

Louis L. Lockshin,
Co-Chairman,
Organizations and
Public Support
Leslie St. Building Fund
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A. The Associated is a pacesetter for education standards in the Day School Movement in North America. It has an outstanding percentage of Scholarship and national award winners. Most of its graduates go on to top ranking universities, Yeshivot, and institutions of higher Jewish learning. Many continue to become prominent Rabbis, scholars, academics, leaders in local and national organizations and industry; and to make a strong impact on the Jewish character of our community.

7. Q. "What religious section of the Jewish community does the Associated serve?"

Henry Koschitzky,
Co-Chairman,
Organizations and
Public Support
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A. The Associated believes in the Klal Yisroel philosophy: that all Jews, regardless of their particular religious or ideological orientation are an integral part of the Jewish people. Therefore, the Associated serves the whole Jewish community—Orthodox, Conservative and Reform.

8. Q. "What has contributed to the phenomenal growth of the Associated?"

Wilferd Gordon, Q.C.
Past President,
Associated Hebrew
Schools of Toronto

A. There are many factors. Here are just a few:
1. Its stimulating and successful synthesis of quality general education, and traditional and contemporary Hebraic Studies.
2. Its traditional, yet modern, environment.
3. Its emphasis on the Klal Yisroel philosophy, which makes all children and parents feel comfortable in its surroundings.
4. The dedicated efforts of its lay leaders and professional staff.

9. Q. "Who have been the builders and supporters of Associated?"

James F. Kay,
Co-Chairman,
Top Gifts,
Leslie St. Building Fund
Committee

A. The Associated has been built and maintained by prominent leaders of the Jewish community, Toronto Jewish Congress, and by generous individuals who recognize Education as a Community responsibility.

10. Q. "Why does the Associated need a new Campus on Leslie Street?"

Morris B. Kaufman,
Co-Chairman,
Top Gifts,
Leslie St. Building Fund
Committee

A. Thirty per cent of the Jewish community now resides in the north-east sector of Metropolitan Toronto. In order to meet the needs of this growing community, the Associated has embarked on a programme of building modern Educational and Recreational facilities for hundreds of children of that area.

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